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The Bureau of Environmental Health seized Monday and yesterday macadamia nuts that were the subject of a recall order by the World Health Organization due to possible salmonella contamination.

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Senate OKs CNMI inclusion in SNAP

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The Senate passed last night by a vote of 7-0 a bill seeking to include the CNMI in the national food stamp program, which could result in an additional $19 million in 2013 and $24 million in 2014 in food stamp benefits to CNMI recipients, among other things.

Senate Bill 17-88 authorizes the governor to seek implementation of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program in the CNMI in the same manner as it is being implemented in Guam.

Senate President Paul Manglona (Ind-Rota), author of the bill, said that while there are concerns, a consulting firm

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'Rally for parole in place for all legal alien workers'

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With barely five weeks to go before Nov. 27 and still without congressional action on improved immigration status for long-term foreign workers in the CNMI, the United Workers Movement-NMI said it is planning to hold a peaceful rally next week to press the federal government to grant parole in place for all "legal alien workers as of Nov. 28, 2009."

"The parole in place is until such time that Congress takes the initiative to grant improved status," Rabby Syed, president of UWM-NMI, told *Saipan Tribune* yesterday.

He said many long-term foreign workers as of Nov. 28, 2009, lost their jobs after that date after years of lawfully

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Convicted lawyer Aguilar disbarred

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Superior Court associate judge David A. Wiseman ordered yesterday the disbarment of lawyer Danilo T. Aguilar from practicing law in CNMI courts for his conviction in Guam of two felony counts of money laundering.

"The court believes that Mr. Aguilar's misconduct has resulted in serious injuries to the legal profession, many former clients, to the public, and to the legal system in general and finds that the appropriate discipline is disbarment," said Wiseman in a six-page order.

The Commonwealth Disciplinary Rules provide that a disbarred attorney cannot apply for readmission until five years after disbarment.

Wiseman determined that when Aguilar was convicted in Guam, he abandoned his law office, clients, and their files on

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PEACE RITES

Students of the Ueda Nishi High School in Ueda City, Japan present the 1,000 origami cranes to retired Marine Marven Avilla during the peace ceremony held at Banzai Cliff yesterday. *See story on Page 6*

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Villagomez is GTC's outstanding teacher of the year

»Three other awardees recognized for their hard work, commitment

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A mother of five was named as this year's outstanding teacher at Gregorio T. Elementary School for her excellent performance and commitment to her profession.

Sixth grade teacher Jennifer Villagomez has been with the school for 12 years, starting out as a third grade teacher and rising through the ranks. She has already been selected twice for the Teacher of the Year recognition.

She admitted being surprised by this new honor but said she will be honored to represent her peers in the Public School System's search for the CNMI Teacher of the Year for 2011-2012.

Villagomez completed college at the University of Hawaii and obtained her graduate degree from the Framingham University. Prior to becoming an educator, Villagomez was program manager for the Criminal Justice Planning Agency.

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Gregorio T. Camacho Elementary School principal Charlotte Camacho, center, poses with this year's outstanding employees of the school. From left are Support Staff of the Year awardee Ariel Narvaez, Teacher of the Year recipient Jennifer Villagomez, GTC principal Charlotte Camacho, Instructor of the Year honoree Rose Taimanao, and Teacher Aide of the Year Jennie Magofna.

"There was really some kind of curiosity and drive to become a teacher so after completing my degree I decided to pursue it. Now I enjoyed watching children realize their abilities, watching them grow, and seeing their potential. It's very fulfilling," she told *Saipan Tribune* yesterday.

As a classroom teacher, Villagomez said she's constantly monitoring the learning of her students and modifying her teaching strategies on a daily basis. "I always want to try what works and what doesn't work. I try to come up with activities to help motivate my students to reach whatever objectives we have," she said.

Villagomez said that teaching is so much more than the classroom setting. "As teachers, we have the privilege of touching the lives of children. They are entrusted in our care and we help develop their inner and outer selves, and our task is beyond their academics," she said.

GTC bestowed its Instructor of the Year award to Rose Taimanao, who has been handling the school's Chamorro/Carolinian Language Heritage Studies class for eight years now. Prior to becoming an instructor, Taimanao was also GTC's Teacher Aide of the Year awardee. This year marks her first time to be selected for the Instructor of the Year award.

"I feel privileged and thankful and it means a lot to me. I believe that no matter what position you are in, you'll be praised and acknowledged for all your hard work," she said. Taimanao wants to become a classroom teacher and is completing her degree at the Northern Marianas College. She said it's her goal to continue teaching the CCLHS program because she sees the need for it.

"It's the foundation of language, especially for our local children. Many of our children don't understand and speak the local language and this would make it difficult for them to learn other languages," she said.

This year's Teacher Aide of the Year recipient is Jennie Magofna, who is assigned to the CCLHS program as well. She just completed her certification and vows to obtain a degree so she could become a regular teacher. She said it's her passion to help children, motivating her to enter the teaching profession.

Ariel Narvaez, the school's maintenance employee, snagged once again GTC's Support Staff of the Year award—his fourth in the 11 years that he has been with GTC. He has also been twice named PSS Support Staff of the Year.

Since he started in 2004, there is never a boring moment for this man who takes charge of the cleanliness and safety of the campus. Narvaez is described by his principal, Charlotte Camacho, as an outstanding employee who keeps the campus always in order—from minor repairs, to electrical upgrades, to facility and ground maintenance, to ensuring the security of children. It is through Narvaez's efforts that GTC saves a significant amount in its operation every year, Camacho said.

Camacho said that GTC will never be successful without the "collective efficacy" of all its personnel. GTC is among the highest performing schools in the CNMI, based on its students' SAT-10 results.

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Govt enumerators to visit businesses as early as Thursday

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Private sector businesses and organizations should start expecting government enumerators at their facilities as early as Thursday, as part of the "2011 CNMI Prevailing Wage and Workforce Assessment Study," which comes weeks after the Saipan Chamber of Commerce completed its own prevailing wage survey.

Government agencies and organizations will also be covered by the survey, led by the Department of Commerce's Central Statistics Division.

Enumerators started training this week for the government study. Training is expected to wrap up today.

Acting Commerce secretary Sixto Igisomar said yesterday that the study has two purposes, including "comprehensively determining the prevailing wage rate in each occupation that exists" in the economy.

Igisomar said it will also assess the current workforce "to determine the types and level of skills held by the current employed workforce to help shape the types of education and training needed to fully utilize our existing labor resources."

CSD director Ivan Blanco, when asked for more information, said "enumerators will hit the field this Thursday and onwards for three to four weeks."

Igisomar, in separate letters yesterday to private and public sector executives, managers, and owners, said each enumerator visiting their offices will have an official badge that Commerce issued.

He said enumerators must introduce themselves properly as an authorized person to collect data from businesses or organizations for the wage survey.

Igisomar said that business data obtained by the Central Statistics Division will be held at the "utmost confidence at all times." He said enumerators have been trained and sworn to keep all collected data in confidence.

Igisomar said the individual business data collected from each of the businesses and organizations will be processed, analyzed, and published only in summary statistics form for the study's purposes.

Results of the study will be published in hard copy and e-copy formats and made available on the Commerce website for everyone interested in the results.

Igisomar said enumerators will give businesses more details on the study when they visit their offices.

The government starts its prevailing wage study just days after the U.S. Department of Labor accepted the Saipan Chamber of Commerce's prevailing wage survey. U.S. Labor's Office of Foreign Labor Certification certified a labor condition application for an electrical engineer. This LCA is the required first step in applying for H-1B and a number of other employment-based visas.

The U.S. Department of the Interior funded the Chamber survey with a $16,500 grant.

The Fitial administration applied for an over $40,000 grant with the U.S. Department of Labor for the survey but the administration has yet to hear from U.S. Labor on their application.

Meanwhile, Commerce's Blanco had said there are an estimated 1,400 business establishments in the CNMI with some 16,000 employees. He said private and public sectors are covered in the survey scope.

For public sector entities, Commerce's CSD is working closely with Department of Finance to gather administrative data that will be used for the survey report.

The public is urged to contact CSD director Ivan Blanco at 664-3023 or by sending email to director.csd@commerce.gov.mp.

Hawaii-based energy efficiency firm to open office on Saipan

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A Hawaii-based energy efficiency company plans to bring a breakthrough technology that would reduce power bills and provide savings to both residential and commercial consumers when it opens its doors on Saipan next month.

1st Global, Renewable & Energy Efficiency Network or GREEN Solutions, LLC is expected to open an office along Middle Road next to the Northern Marianas Protection and Advocacy Systems, Inc., according to general manager Rick Sparacio.

"We are looking to be here more full-time as more and more installations go in," Sparacio said at the Rotary Club of Saipan meeting at Hyatt Regency yesterday.

Their main goal, Sparacio said, is "energy conservation" in a way that reduces the consumption of scarce resources and reduces utility bills or the amount of fuel used when operating generators.

According to Sparacio, they utilize the Universal Shunt Efficiency System or USES, a patented, state-of-the-art technology and "the only product on market today" that saves energy and money, reduces demand, protects and improves the performance of equipment, and is compatible with all electronic controls and variable frequency drives.

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Sparacio said they have "documented proof" that USES technology, which has been installed in thousands of facilities around the world since 1992, lowers true kilowatt demand and kilowatt hours; reduces total current content including harmonics, corrects power factor; protects against normal surges and spikes and lightning strike; reduces motor wear and maintenance as well as motor and ballasted fixture average temperature; and increases lighting ballast and lamp life.

"This is the only product that I know of where we can actually come in ahead of time, before there's any obligation or any purchase of the technology, and actually give you a demonstration of what it's going to do for your facility before you make any commitments," he said.

Sparacio disclosed that they have already installed the technology at the Commonwealth Utilities Corp. for three months now, and other establishments such as Joeten Superstore and Aquarius Beach Tower.

Sparacio said that he and three other staff will be available for the next one-and-a-half weeks to conduct comprehensive presentations, make assessments and provide proposals. For those interested in the USES technology, they would need to provide power bills to analyze usage over the last 12 months and what is paid per kilowatt hour to calculate savings.

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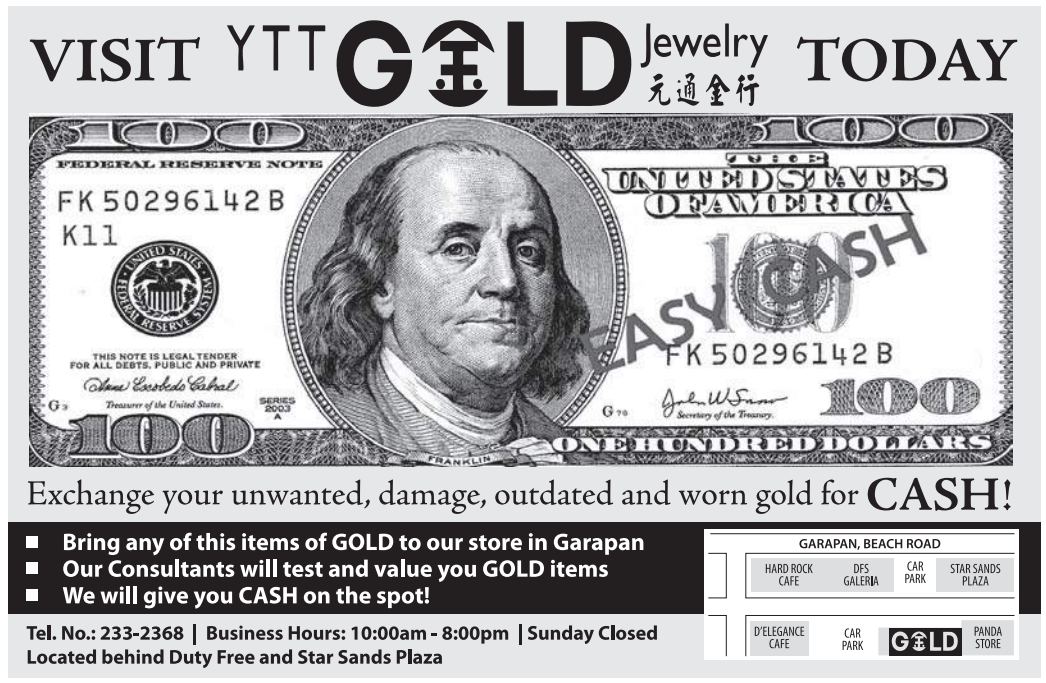
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Senators delay vote on repeal of derivative suit law to Thursday

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After some two hours of discussion and debate yesterday afternoon with NMI Retirement Fund officials and lawyers for some retirees, the Senate decided to delay until Thursday any action on a bill repealing a 1-month-old law allowing Fund beneficiaries to sue on behalf of the pension program.

Senate President Paul Manglona (Ind-Rota) said the Senate wants to give enough time for the lawyers of some retirees opposed to the repeal bill and NMI Retirement Fund officials and counsels to meet and reach a compromise on the bill, and from there, senators can decide which way to go.

Even if the Senate had acted on the repealer bill yesterday, the vote is believed to be split—three in favor and three against, with the Senate president breaking the tie.

Of the two absent senators who are not expected to be back by Thursday, one voted "no" to the derivative bill while one voted "yes."

Lawyers Michael Dotts and Ramon Quichocho asked the Senate not to repeal Public Law 17-51 by not passing Senate Bill 17-94.

"You don't need to throw out this law," Dotts told senators. The House and the Senate spent a year to debate and finally pass the bill that became PL 17-51.

Dotts said if three money managers, for example, ended their contract with the Fund because of the law, there are still some 67 others who responded to the same request for proposal.

Quichocho said instead of repeal, maybe the senators could look at investigation or amendment to the law.

Dotts said the law does not cause not irreparable harm to the Fund, and cited a recent court ruling that the termination of contracts by the Fund's four agents is an incidental effect of PL 17-51.

At the other end of the spectrum were Fund administrator Richard Villagomez, Fund board chair Sixto Igisomar and counsels Viola Aleuyo and Carolyn Kern asking the Senate to pass SB 17-94.

Fund officials reiterated that the law has been harming the Fund, including the loss of money managers and the absence of any party responding to their current request for proposals because of PL 7-51.

Because of the nature of the bill and public comments received on SB 17-94 during the session, the Senate went into committee of the whole so senators could directly ask questions from those who oppose and support the measure.

Manglona, after a brief session recess to confer with the senators, announced that the Senate will not be acting on the bill as scheduled yesterday.

He said they will go into recess until 10am today to act on the bill, but the Senate later decided to adjourn the session and hold another one on Thursday at 10am.

At yesterday's session, only seven of nine senators were present. Sens. Luis Crisostimo (Ind-Saipan) and Ralph Torres (R-Saipan) were off-island. The two are not expected to be back by Thursday.

Senate floor leader Pete Reyes (R-Saipan) is the author of the derivative bill that became PL 17-51.

Besides Reyes, four others voted on the bill that became the derivative lawsuit law, including Manglona, Torres, Sen. Frank Cruz (R-Tinian) and Sen. Jovita Taimanao (Ind-Rota).

Three senators who either abstained or were absent during that voting on Aug. 3 are the three authors of SB 17-94 which seeks to repeal PL 17-51. They are Senate Vice President Jude Hofschneider (R-Tinian) and Sen. Juan Ayuyu (Ind-Rota) who abstained from voting, and Sen. Henry San Nicolas (Cov-Saipan), who was absent at the time. At the time, Crisostimo was the only one who voted "no" on the bill.

Group of tourists robbed at Mariana Country Club

An unidentified man robbed a group of tourists who were playing golf at the Mariana Country Club in Marpi on Monday.

Saipan Tribune learned from a source at the Department of Public Safety that the suspect stole some belongings from the tourists who were playing golf.

The suspect fled to the jungle area. No other details were available.

The Department of Public Safety has yet to release information about the robbery.

Last Oct. 10, an unidentified man also robbed a 51-year-old female who was with her daughter playing golf at Coral Ocean Point.

The suspect ran off with the victim's purses that contained $700 cash and were left on the golf cart. The suspect and a companion fled the parking area on two three-wheeled motor scooters.

Last Oct. 11, an unidentified man armed with a screwdriver robbed a Russian female tourist and drove off with her rented car at Suicide Cliff in Marpi.

The tourist lost her bag containing over $100 cash, a digital camera worth $1,200, hotel keys, some documents, and other items.

The victim sustained bruises on her elbows after she fell to the ground during the struggle. ***(Ferdie de la Torre)***

RECALLED

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Lily Kapileo of the bureau's inspection and enforcement unit disclosed yesterday that 46 cases of Paton's Macadamia Plantations Pty Ltd. macadamia nuts were confiscated from a store and wholesaler company in Susupe.

Kapileo said the company's management has already been instructed to arrange with the Department of Public Works for the disposal of affected products at the Marpi landfill.

Among the products being recalled were World's Finest Macadamia Nuts (130g); Crazy Koala Macadamia Nuts Cairns (130g); Crazy Koala Macadamia Nuts Sydney (130g); Crazy Koala Macadamia Nuts Gold Coast (130g); Australia-World's Finest Macadamia Nuts (130g); Pacific Islands Club (110g); Paton's Guam Milk (110g); Paton's Saipan Milk (110g); Taste of Paradise-Shell & Sand (130g); Crazy Koala Macadamia Nuts (Australian Flag) (130g); and Crazy Koala Macadamia Nuts (130g).

These products were produced between Sept. 15, 2011, and Sept. 22, 2011, and are best consumed before October 2012.

The recalled products are believed to be sold in tourist souvenir gift shops. A Paton statement says that Guam is one of the places where these products were shipped to.

As of yesterday, bureau inspections continue on Saipan, Tinian, and Rota.

"BEH teams did find within CNMI the recalled macadamia nuts with assorted marketing date which was reported by World Health Organization. Management of the visited establishment was advised to pull stocks from shelves. Teams will continue with the random recall visitation today," Kapileo told *Saipan Tribune* yesterday.

Paton's Macadamia Plantations recalled specific products a few days ago due to the possible presence of salmonella bacteria. Although no illnesses or adverse effects have been reported, food products contaminated by salmonella may cause illnesses if consumed.

Salmonella is an infectious bacteria that attacks the intestines and bloodstream in most humans. The most commons symptoms of salmonella are diarrhea, fever, and abdominal cramps that typical occur about six to 72 hours after developing the infection. While usually not deadly, those infected by salmonella at times often feel like they are not going to make it through the ordeal given the intense pains and problems it causes.

SENATE

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has concluded that the benefits to recipients and the CNMI economy outweigh the effect of shouldering 50 percent of the administrative costs.

Of nine senators, only seven were present yesterday.

S.B. 17-88 now goes to the House.

This early, some House members have already expressed support or opposition to the measure.

Rep. Ray Yumul (R-Saipan) and Rep. Joe Palacios (R-Saipan) separately said they support the CNMI's inclusion in the national food stamp program. Yumul said it will increase funding to those who qualify, and will strengthen monitoring for fraudulent use.

He said there will be no more coupons, just card swiping like a credit card.

"Those stores interested in the program must comply. One possible downside is that funds from the program will go directly to the cards so therefore the CNMI government may not be involved with the handling of the funds," Yumul said.

Rep. Ray Tebuteb (R-Saipan) said the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs secretary's reasons for not supporting inclusion in the national food stamp program has merit.

DCCA Secretary Melvin Faisao said that besides the estimated $650,000 that the CNMI has to put up to cover 50 percent of the administrative costs, the CNMI also has to spend on the infrastructure to support the electronic benefit transfers system that will require the use of "plastic cards" similar to credit cards instead of paper coupons.

Inclusion in the SNAP will also mean that more people in the CNMI will become eligible to receive benefits, including Freely Associated States citizens, CNMI permanent residents and spouses of U.S. citizens who have been on the islands for at least five years.

Delegate Gregorio Kilili Sablan (Ind-MP) also wants the CNMI included in SNAP.

He commissioned a study by RAS Consulting that said, among other things, that the total economic impact of the $12 million to $24 million in additional SNAP benefits for CNMI beneficiaries would be $21.48 million to $42.96 million.

This means that for every $650,000 in administrative costs that the CNMI has to spend, the CNMI economy could get at least $21.48 million in total economic impact.

CONVICTED

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Saipan.

The judge ordered that Aguilar's name be stricken from the roll of admitted attorneys of the CNMI Bar. He also ordered Aguilar to pay the Superior Court for any costs associated with the prosecution of this disciplinary matter.

Before he could be re-admitted to practice law before Commonwealth courts, Aguilar will be required to take and pass the CNMI Bar Exam, including the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination.

The judge also required Aguilar to return any unearned retainer fees to his clients.

Aguilar pleaded guilty in September 2010 in the District of Guam to taking $184,947.49 in proceeds from a fraudulent Citibank cashier's check. He was sentenced to 60 months of probation, full payment of restitution, among other terms and conditions.

The U.S. government charged that Aguilar responded to an email solicitation, which turned out to be part of an international Internet fraud scheme from Hong Kong that targeted attorneys.

Wiseman held the disciplinary proceeding after the U.S. District Court of Guam sent the CNMI Supreme Court in October 2010 a certification relating to Aguilar's conviction. The CNMI Supreme Court referred the matter to Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert C. Naraja, who designated Wiseman to handle the matter.

Wiseman issued a show-cause order asking Aguilar to explain the extent of discipline he should be subjected to for his conviction, while being a member of the CNMI Bar Association. Aguilar did not show up at the disciplinary hearing on Sept. 28, 2011.

In his order yesterday, Wiseman said that Aguilar, having been convicted of the two felony counts of laundering of money instruments is deemed in violation of five sections of the Rule 8.4 of the Model Rules that deal with professional misconduct.

"The crime of money laundering is a crime of moral turpitude per se and is also one of fraud and dishonesty. Such criminal conduct reflects adversely on an attorney's honesty, trustworthiness, and fitness as a lawyer," Wiseman said.

Therefore, the judge said, an attorney with such convictions should be punished in a way that will assure the public's confidence in the Judiciary's regulation of attorneys practicing in the CNMI.

"This is the second incident with respect to an attorney being disciplined for felony convictions, and it is imperative that the proper discipline be given in order to set the standard for other attorneys practicing law here in the CNMI," Wiseman said.

RALLY

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working in the CNMI.

If they still don't have employers after Nov. 27, 2011, they will become out of status.

Syed returned yesterday from a trip to Washington, D.C. to drum up support for their request to grant improved immigration status, specifically green card or pathway to U.S. citizenship, to long-term foreign workers in the CNMI, among other issues.

But he said there was no indication that Congress will act on any immigration status bill concerning legal alien workers in the CNMI by Nov. 27, so UWM-NMI is looking at a request for parole in place as a last resort for foreign workers who might be out of status before any immigration bill is acted on.

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services does not grant parole based upon someone being unemployed.

Syed said he's not giving up hope that USCIS will grant parole for humanitarian consideration.

He said even Delegate Gregorio Kilili Sablan's H.R. 1466, which seeks a CNMI-only resident status for four groups of people, isn't expected to become law by Nov. 27.

Sablan's bill does not propose granting improved status to foreign workers as recommended by Interior or as requested by UWM-NMI.

Jun Concillado, vice president of UWM-NMI, also said yesterday they are inviting all foreign workers and other interested members of the community to attend a meeting on Thursday, Oct. 20, at the Minatchom Atdao starting at 6pm.

In that meeting, Syed will share what transpired during his trip to Washington, D.C.

Syed said they will also finalize this Thursday their planned rally set for next week.

"We have a short period of time until Nov. 27 so we have to do this soon," he added.

Nick Riveral, 57, who has been without a fulltime job since April 2010 but has an umbrella permit, said he is already amenable to the idea of going home if he can't find a job by Nov. 27.

Riveral came to the CNMI to work as a boutique cutter/sewer on promises that he would earn no less than $600 a month.

"But when I got here, I was only earning $150 to $200 a month. The only time I earned more than that was when I started working in the construction industry," Riveral said in a phone interview.

Riveral said he'll probably attend the Thursday meeting to hear from Syed about his trip to Washington, D.C. But he said he is not sure if he's going to join next week's rally.

IT&E's appeal against GTA application junked

»Certificate of public convenience and necessity endorsed for Guam firm

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The Commonwealth Public Utilities Commission junked Monday the appeal filed by telecommunication company IT&E against the application of its competitor, GTA Services LLC, to set up shop in the Commonwealth.

In a five-page order released yesterday, hearing examiner Harry M. Boertzel said that IT&E failed to provide any comments during the prescribed period and, when it recently filed a motion to intervene in the proceedings, he said the company did not clearly set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention and the specific issues of fact or law to be raised.

He recommended that the commission issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity to Guam-based GTA so it could open business in the Commonwealth. He said that any delay in the issuance of the certification to GTA would be unfair.

Boertzel said that further administrative proceedings in GTA's certification are untimely and not necessary to enable the commission to determine whether GTA's certification is in the public interest.

"Further delay in the issuance of GTA's certificate, which is intended to foster competition, would be unfair and counterproductive to this policy goal," stated Boertzel in the order, adding that all material issues in GTA's application are economically feasible.

These material issues include the need to regulate GTA's tariff, the need to require GTA to post security to protect customer deposits, further review of its capital structure, and review of the company's business plan to provide and maintain adequate and efficient telecommunications services.

IT&E had sought the commission's permission to be allowed to intervene in GTA's application for certification and to cross-examine GTA in the entire proceedings.

Commonwealth law requires that a company that wants to provide local exchange telecommunication services must first obtain a certification from the commission that its market entry would be in the public's interest.

GTA filed its application for the certificate on March 22, 2011, pursuant to the commission's administrative order on Nov. 16, 2009.

The commission's independent regulatory consultant, Georgetown Consulting, has already recommended that the GTA application be granted. Georgetown determined that the company has the financial, technical, and managerial resources and abilities to provide the services. No public comments were received for its application during the prescribed period in July.

In earlier interview, Daniel J. Tydingco, executive vice president external and legal affairs of GTA, said that the company hopes for a favorable response to its application. Given the ties between the CNMI and Guam, Tydingco said he is confident that their planned investment on island will be a success.

According to its website, GTA Services LLC is a full-service communications firm serving Guam for over 40 years. Among the services it plans to offer in the CNMI include Internet and telephone services. Tydingco refused to disclose the amount the company plans to invest in the CNMI pending the commission's approval.

Senate confirms healthcare corporation board nominees

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REPORTER

By a vote of 7-0, the Senate confirmed "with condition" yesterday Gov. Benigno R. Fitial's four nominees to the new Commonwealth Healthcare Corp. board of directors.

Senators confirmed Joaquin S. Torres and Roy T. Rios of Saipan, Anthony H. Aguon of Tinian, and Pedro Q. Dela Cruz of Rota.

Each of the nominees will serve a four-year term. Torres, who was at the session yesterday, said he's thankful for the Senate's action on their nominations.

Sen. Frank Cruz (R-Tinian), chairman of the Executive Appointments and Government Investigations, recommended the confirmation of the four nominees based on the requirements submitted, their qualifications and testimony from the public.

However, the Senate has yet to receive the results of the drug tests of the four nominees. The results will take 10 to 15 days.

Cruz said the EAGI Committee's recommendation has a condition—that if any of the nominees' drug test result comes back "positive," then that nominee's confirmation will be rescinded.

"Although we have not received the drug test results yet, it is imperative to confirm the nominees for them to be able to select a [chief executive officer] of the corporation," said Cruz, adding that the delivery of healthcare services on Saipan, Tinian, and Rota also depend on having a functioning board and CEO.

This is so far the only time when the Senate has confirmed board nominees without first obtaining the drug test results of the nominees.

During yesterday's session, the seven senators adopted Standing Committee Report 17-61 recommending confirmation of the four nominees. By adopting the committee report, the senators confirmed the nominees.

The Fitial administration has yet to set a formal swearing-in for the nominees.

The Commonwealth Healthcare Corp. should have been operating as a corporation with an advisory board since Oct. 1 but there was a delay in the governor's submission of nominees to the Senate.

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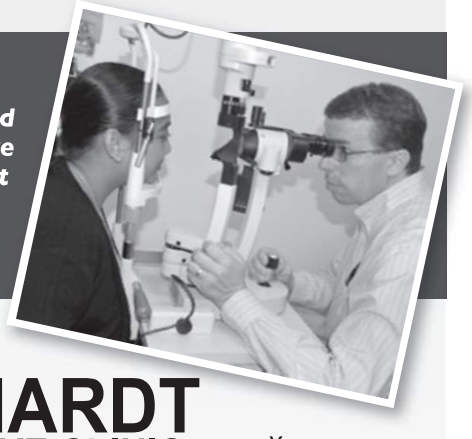

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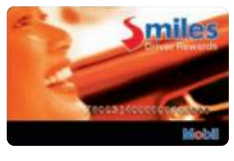

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9th Circuit Court dismisses Fund's appeal

»Fund ordered to pay costs to Jorgensen's clients

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The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit has dismissed the NMI Retirement Fund's bid to reverse a U.S. District Court order to deny the Fund's motion to dismiss the lawsuit filed by unnamed retirees.

The Ninth Circuit judges ordered the Fund and its board to pay for the costs incurred in the appeal by two unnamed retirees represented by attorney Bruce Jorgensen.

The judges ruled that the U.S. District Court for the NMI's Jan. 25 (dismissal) order did not show any intention by the district judge that it will be the court's final act in the matter.

"[On] the contrary, the possibility of further action by the district court was apparent, given its concerns about the pace of post-judgment proceedings in the CNMI Superior Court," the Ninth Circuit judges said in their four-page order, a copy of which was filed in the District Court yesterday.

Citing precedent, the Ninth Circuit judges said a district court's decision is appealable only when the decision ends the litigation on the merits and leaves nothing for the court to do but execute the judgment.

A final judgment, the judges said, is one that is "a full adjudication of the issues at bar, and clearly evinces the judge's intention that it be the court's final act in the matter."

The judges said that the Fund and its board further contend that the district court's issuance of a limited 60-day stay of proceedings in the lawsuit is an appealable final order.

The judges said the district court clearly foresaw, and indeed intended on issuance, that proceedings would resume after the temporary stay expired.

The judges pointed out the district court did not determine any disputed question or resolve any issue. In fact, the judges said, it is clear that the district court intended to continue the litigation after gauging the progress of the post-judgment proceedings in the Superior Court.

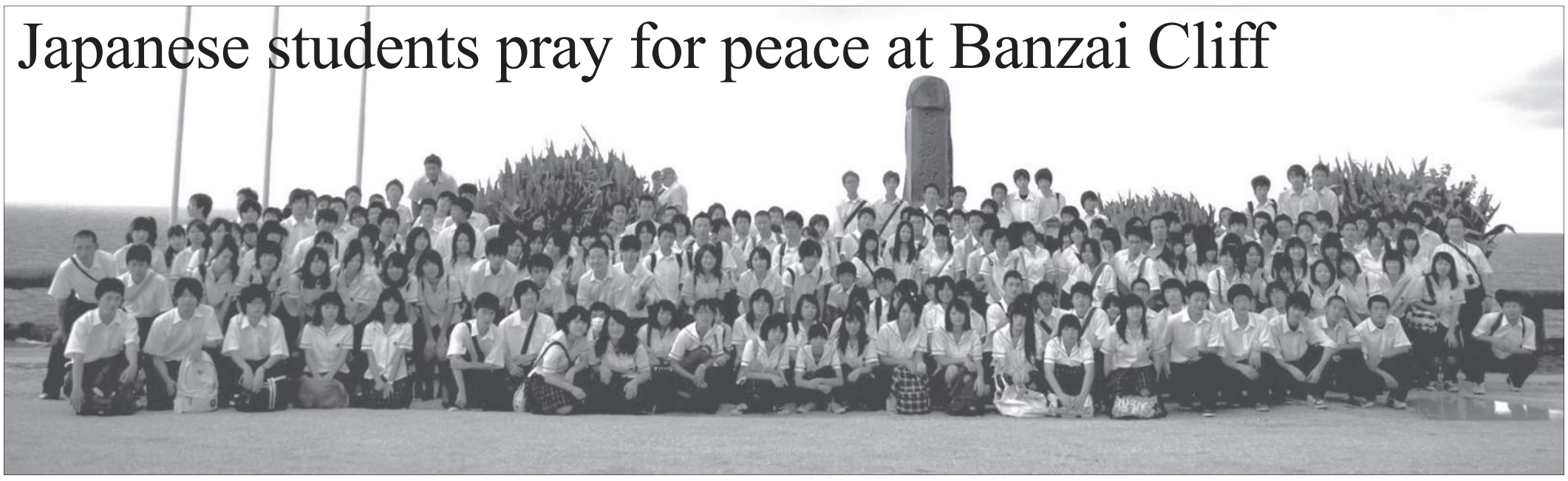
"Thus, the temporary stay entered here does not fall within the limited class of decisions appealable under the collateral order exception," the judges said.

The District Court denied the Fund's and its board's motion to dismiss the lawsuit filed by attorney Jorgensen on behalf of two unnamed retirees against Gov. Benigno R. Fitial and the Fund over alleged non-payment of their retirement benefits.

The Fund and the board appealed to the Ninth Circuit.

U.S. District Court for the NMI visiting judge William Q. Hayes also denied attorney Jorgensen's motion to lift the court's order that stayed the proceedings in his clients' lawsuit.

Japanese students pray for peace at Banzai Cliff



Students from Ueda Nishi High School from Nagano Prefecture in Ueda City, Japan pose for a group photo after offering prayers for peace at Banzai Cliff yesterday afternoon. CLARISSA V. DAVID

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REPORTER

Despite overcast skies that presaged a heavy downpour, Japanese students from Ueda Nishi High School from Nagano Prefecture in Ueda City gathered at Banzai Cliff yesterday to offer prayers for all those who perished during the war.

A total of 201 students 16 to 17 years of age, along with 19 teachers and four tour coordinators, offered prayers—both in Japanese and English—at the site where thousands of Japanese civilians jumped to their deaths at the end of the Battle of Saipan.

Student representatives also presented 1,000 origami cranes, made by the students themselves, to retired Marine Marven Avilla who served during the war. Japanese culture believes that folding paper cranes makes a person's wish come true, in this case the wish for continued peace.

School principal Kenji Muramatsu, through interpreter Tanaka Takayuki of R&C Tours, said the students who participated in the ceremony are currently studying history, including World War II and the Battle on Saipan.

Muramatsu said the last time they were on island to hold the same memorial rite was two years ago. They have also been to Hawaii and Singapore to pray for peace.

Student leader Miyashita Masahiro, a sophomore student, said through an interpreter that this is his first visit to the island. He said he would like to know more about and continue praying for peace, sharing the knowledge he would gain to everybody when he goes back to Japan.

The group, currently staying at the Saipan World Resort and Pacific Islands Club, arrived on Saipan via Delta Air Lines and Continental Airlines flights Monday afternoon.

The visiting students will meet with their counterparts from Marianas High School and join them in classes. The group will also go sightseeing and do some shopping for souvenirs and gifts to bring back to Japan.

Aging Center to host *man'amko* Halloween

The senior citizens on island will stick with their usual venue—the Aging Center—for their Halloween celebration.

"We will have it at the Aging Center because it's a lot cooler," said Aging program coordinator Walter Manglona. "It's easier for them to change costumes here and the restroom is also convenient."

The island's elderly will have yet again a costume contest wherein *man'amko* wearing the most creative costumes will have the chance to win exciting prizes.

"I met with the council members and they agreed that there will be decorations and big prizes. We will also have small prizes donated by ourselves," he said.

According to Manglona, he is already devising fun games and activities for the program. Every activity, he said, will allow the *man'amko* to use their senses and teach them important lessons.

"Whether to teach respect or promote a healthy lifestyle, there will be a purpose to every game and activity we have here," said Manglona.

He said that they will also be soliciting prizes from the Legislature and private businesses. ***(Clarissa V. David)***

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Notice is hereby given that the above-entitled matter is set for a hearing on November 21, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. in Courtroom 217A, before the Associate Judge Perry B. Inos.

Dated this 17th day of October, 2011.

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/s/ Deputy Clerk of Court

NMC turns in report to ACCJC

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The Northern Marianas College met the Oct. 15 deadline to submit a follow-up report on its accreditation required by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, according to a statement from the college yesterday.

NMC said yesterday that the document presents evidence of its continuing efforts to comply with ACCJC eligibility requirements and that it met its standards.

The report, NMC said, was developed with considerable input and participation by the college community. A visit commission team is expected to visit NMC later to validate the report.

NMC declined to further comment on the report's content because, as per commission policy on public disclosure, it "must maintain an appropriate level of confidentiality" with ACCJC in the accreditation process.

In the statement, it assured that the college will make the follow-up report and the visiting team report and related documents accessible on the NMC website once the commission indicates that it is appropriate to do so.

NMC disclosed on July 1 the commission's decision to lift the college's show-cause status and place it under a less severe sanction of probation. This was due to the still unaddressed recommendations made by the visiting team.

NMC was required to submit a follow-up report due Oct. 15, 2011, that should address all issues from the previous show-cause order, which cited deficiencies in three areas: institutional autonomy from outside interference, institutional financial management and integrity, and institutional governance and accountability.

Miyagi official says thanks for letters of hope

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REPORTER

A government official from Japan's Miyagi Prefecture, the central part of Tohoku region and home to the city of Sendai where an earthquake and a subsequent tsunami struck in March, expressed his appreciation to CNMI students who have written letters of encouragement for the victims of the devastation.

"I would like to thank you for your kind messages to the people of Japan in the aftermath of the Great East Japan Earthquake," International Affairs Division director Takamasa Chiba said in a letter addressed to executive secretary Vinycia M. Seman of the Saipan Mayor's Office.

The students' letters, forwarded to the Miyagi Prefectural Government, were part of the "Kibo No Tegami – Letters of Hope" campaign launched in public schools in April by the Saipan Mayor's Office.

"Kibo No Tegami – Letters of Hope" had public elementary and high school students writing letters of support, encouragement, and hope to families in Japan that were affected by the 9.0 magnitude earthquake that hit the Miyagi Prefecture and caused a destructive tsunami.

Chiba said the March 11 tragedy, also known as The Great East Japan Earthquake or the 2011 Tohoku Earthquake, took many lives.

"More than six months have passed, and it [feels] as though things have started to settle down in the prefecture; however, we will continue to put all our strength and efforts in the restoration of our region as well as helping rebuild the lives of the victims," he said.

"I am confident that your encouraging words will bring strength and hope to our people. In order to respond to your support, we will make every effort to rebuild this region without further delay," added Chiba.

The 823 letters, which are now exhibited at the Miyagi Prefectural Government office building, were transmitted through the assistance of the Saipan Rotary Club and the Hasaki Rotary Club.

Seman acknowledged the two Rotary Clubs and all the students and teachers who sent their support and gave hope and strength to those affected by the devastation.

"It shows that although donating money to the various relief efforts is a great way to help, even a simple letter or card letting children, mothers, fathers, etc. of Japan know that the people in Saipan are thinking of them can make a difference in his/her life by shedding even a bit of hope," added Seman.

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The 823 letters from the "Kibo No Tegami – Letters of Hope" campaign are now exhibited at the Miyagi Prefectural Government office building.

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DPS sets 3-day sobriety checkpoints

The Department of Public Safety will be conducting sobriety checkpoints on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Oct. 20-22, 2011.

On Thursday, Oct. 20, the first setup will be on Beach Road Garapan across Bank Pacific on the southbound lane from 8pm to 9:15pm. The second setup will be on Beach Road Chalan Kanoa in front of Super Fresh Market on the northbound lane from 11pm to 12:15am.

On Friday, Oct. 21, the first setup will be on Chalan Pale Arnold, Puerto Rico by the U.S. Army Reserve Center on the southbound lane from 7:30pm to 8:45pm. The second setup will be on Chalan Monsignor Guerrero, Chalan Kiya on the westbound lane from 10pm to 11:15pm.

On Saturday, Oct. 22, the first setup will be on Beach Road Chalan Laulau adjacent to Dr. Benusto Kaipat's residence on the southbound lane from 8pm to 9:15pm. The second setup will be on Chalan Pale, Gualo Rai in front of Han's Tire Shop on the northbound lane from 11pm to 12:45am.

Each checkpoint will last at least 75minutes at each location.

This activity is part of the department's effort to deter, detect, and apprehend impaired drivers and ensure that all vehicle occupants are protected.

In addition, officers will be doing highway criminal interdictions, saturations patrols, aggressive driver interdictions, and speed enforcement. ***(DPS)***

BIRTHDAY SHOUTOUT

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Happy 1st birthday greetings go out to Joey Claude 'JC' Borja Mostales, who is celebrating his special day today, Oct. 19! May you have many more blessed years to come. We love you very much! Love always, Daddy, Mommy, Joshua, Naomi, family and friends.

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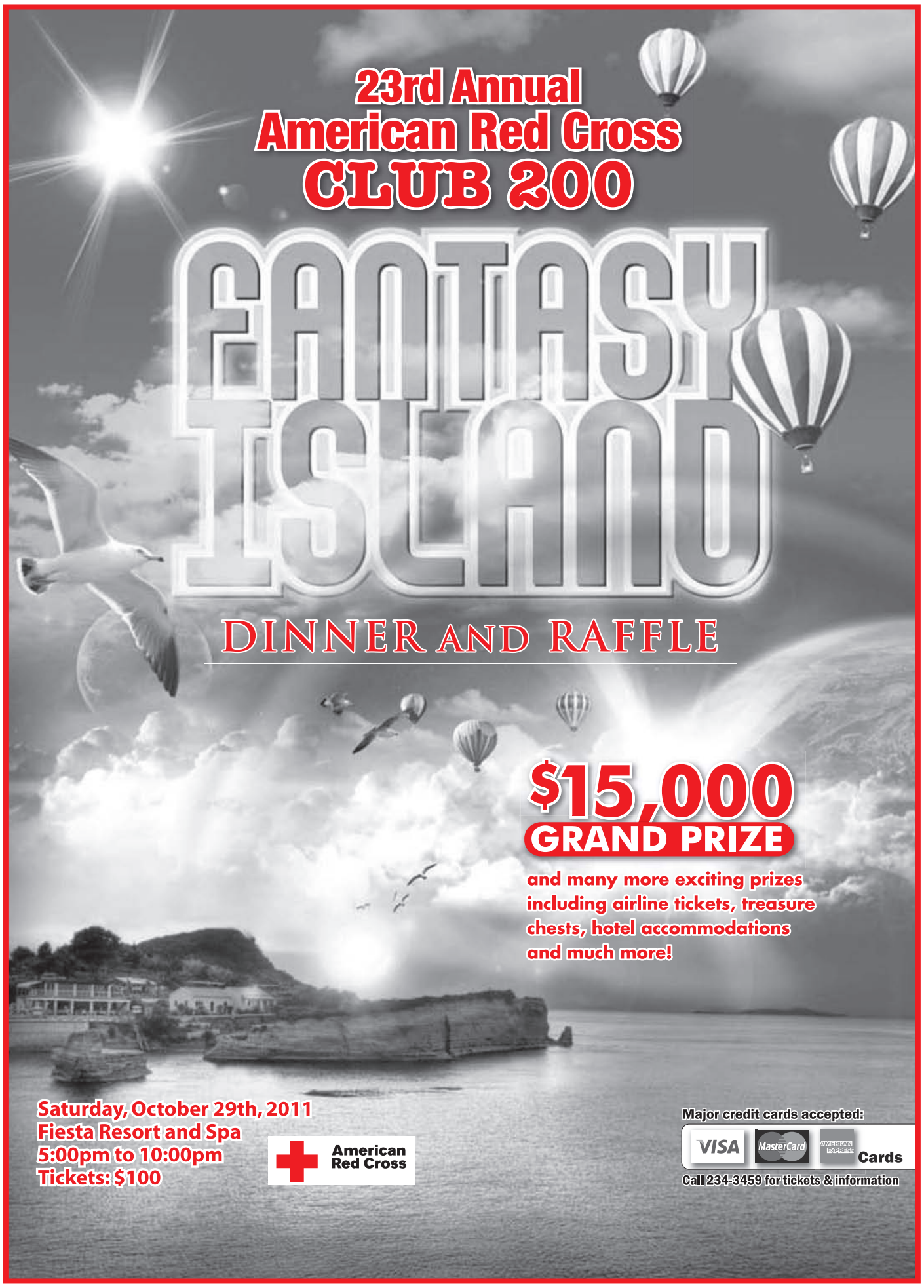
A prayer to bless your way, a wish to lighten your moments, a cheer to perfect your day, a text to say happy birthday! Happy birthday, Crystal! Have a great one! Greetings come from Bing, Jen, and the family.



Flashback

A LOOK BACK AT PAST YEARS' HEADLINES

Oct. 19, 1999

Reject legislative initiative—Faisao

A legislator yesterday urged voters not to support a legislative initiative seeking to amend the CNMI Constitution to create separate finance offices for each branch of the government, saying the proposal will add another layer to bureaucracy that will burden taxpayers. Rep. Melvin Faisao had opposed the initiative when it was tackled by the House of Representatives early this year, but it got enough votes from members to be included in the balloting for the Nov. 6 midterm elections. Senate Legislative Initiative 11-4 aims to change a constitutional provision to create a respective finance office within the Legislative Bureau as well as the Judicial Branch.

Voters can choose write-in candidates

Aside from the 68 official candidates whose names appear on the ballots, CNMI voters are also allowed to vote for write-in candidates, the elections chief said. Write-in candidates are those who are not in the official list of candidates certified by the Board of Elections. If a certain position has only one candidate, it doesn't mean that candidate automatically assumes the post, according to Gregorio Sablan, executive director of the Board of Elections. "There are people that voters want to elect in office, but did not file nominating petitions. Every ballot provides a space where voters can write the names of people that they want to vote," Sablan said.

Oct. 19, 2000

Govt asked to locate funds to build Center for Women

Gov. Pedro P. Tenorio has been asked to facilitate efforts to identify funding that would pave the way for the construction of the proposed center for women, a project that was conceived several years back. Rep. William S. Torres said the proposed center, which was brought up in 1995 during the leadership of former Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio, will house the Women's Affairs Office, a resource facility, a cafeteria and a day care center. The center was envisioned to be a place where women in the CNMI would find not only solace but the inspiration to achieve economic well-being and empowerment and productive networking, said Mr. Torres.

PSS clears errors on report card

The Public School System yesterday corrected its total Fiscal Year 2000 budget cited in its newly released report card after being swamped with phone calls particularly from the Department of Finance questioning the accuracy of the figures. Instead of a $300,327.00 local appropriation in operational funds for FY 1999-2000, PSS clarified the figure is actually missing a digit which should be $3,026,213.00. "It's merely a typographical error," said PSS officials. The eight-page statistical report also stated that PSS' personnel local appropriation funds during the past fiscal year amounted to some $33,015,900.00.

Oct. 19, 2001

Fitial eyes better retirement program

As he had announced in the gubernatorial debate last October 1, House Speaker Benigno R. Fitial is pursuing plans for the establishment of an alternative retirement program that provides for a more equitable pension system and greater social security while helping increase real income for participants. "We're looking at various models, including the 401K program. But, of course, like other programs, this will entail more in-depth studies to see which system would best suit us here in the Northern Marianas," said Fitial. The Speaker said he is exploring a new system due to the perceived inequity under the current two-class system administered by the Northern Mariana Islands Retirement Fund.

Nonresident Workers Fund remains liquid

Despite a deficit of $1.46 million from 1995 to 2001, the Nonresident Workers Fund remains liquid, with a total unspent balance of $.994 million as of September this year. In a 14-page testimony submitted to the Senate Committee on Executive Appointments and Government Investigation, the Office of the Public Auditor said that, from the inception of the Fund in April 1987 up to this year, actual collections have generally exceeded total appropriations. This was particularly true covering the period from 1987 up to 1994, when actual collections reached $14.67 million, while total appropriations only reached $13.05 million-or an unexpended balance of $1.63 million, the OPA report said.

Energy Division to hand out free energy savings kits

The Department of Public Works' Energy Division will be celebrating Energy Awareness Month this October with the distribution of Home Energy Savings Kits.

The Energy Division staff will be on the following islands:

■ Oct. 19-20, 2011 (Wednesday and Thursday), at the Tinian Mayor's Office, from 9am to 4pm.

■ Oct. 26-27, 2011 (Wednesday and Thursday), at the Rota Mayor's Office, from 9am to 4pm.

■ Nov. 7-10, 2011 (Monday to Thursday), at the Honorable Pedro P. Tenorio Multi- Purpose Center, from 9am to 4pm.

This promotion is available to all residential paying customers of the Commonwealth Utilities Corp. Those would like to receive the free items must provide a copy of their most current CUC utility bill.

The cornerstone of this campaign is to "Turn Words into Action, Turn Action into Results."

Thelma B. Inos, director of the Energy Division, encourages everyone to conserve energy, empower others to take action, and join together to save energy and money.

This is made possible through a grant from the U.S. Department of Energy, State Energy Program, American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

For questions or information regarding the Energy Awareness Event, contact the Energy Division at 664-4480/81. ***(Office of the Governor)***

MTEC/MY WAVE sets Tourism Summit for students on Oct. 27

In a continuation of their outreach efforts this year to students, the Marianas Tourism Education Council, school MY WAVE clubs, and the Marianas Visitors Authority will hold the MTEC/MY WAVE Tourism Summit on Oct. 27, 2011.

The summit will welcome an estimated 150 students of grade levels 3 to 12 for a full day of activities about tourism and its importance to the Northern Marianas community. Heidi Ballendorf, president of the Guam Tourism Education Council, will be the keynote speaker.

MVA chair Marian Aldan-Pierce will also address the students, and well as Dr. Fred Schumann and Hopwood Jr. High School MY WAVE club president Mikee Campo.

Aldan-Pierce

Students will then have the opportunity to demonstrate their understanding of the industry through on-stage presentations.

"The first MY WAVE Tourism Summit in 2004 was a great success in getting children aware of and interested in tourism, and another summit is long overdue," said MTEC chair Vicky Benavente. "The children are the future of our industry, and we hope the summit will spur the formation of more MY WAVE clubs where students can become actively involved in supporting and benefiting from the industry."

MY WAVE stands for Marianas Youth Welcome All Visitors Enthusiastically.

Interested schools may contact event chair and Hopwood Jr. High vice principal Epiphanio Cabrera at epicabrera@gmail.com or 670.237.3456 or Martin Duenas at the MVA at mduenas@mymarianas.com to register students. The event will be held from 9am to 1pm at the Fiesta Resort & Spa's Hibiscus Hall.

"The CNMI Public School System is proud to be a member of MTEC over the years since its inception," said Education Commissioner Rita Sablan. "This organization has made leaders of our students to promote and support the tourism industry here in the Commonwealth."

MTEC is a nonprofit organization promoting community awareness on the importance of the visitor industry in the Northern Marianas. Membership is open to all business, community groups, and private individuals. ***(MVA)***

CUC sets 7-hour water outage in Kagman today

The Commonwealth Utilities Corp. has scheduled a seven-hour water outage today, Oct. 19, that will affect residents in the Kagman 1, 2 and Phase 4 areas.

The outage would last from 8am to 3pm and is intended to complete the major overhaul of a pressure reducing valve in Kagman.

The overhauling of the valve will to control the pressure downstream to a proper amount and provide adequate pressure to residential homes and help conserve water.

"CUC apologizes, in advance, for any inconvenience resulting from these projects and the water service interruption. Should you have any questions, please call the CUC Water & Wastewater Division at 322-5030," a CUC statement said. ***(PR)***

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Teams sought for One-Pitch Softball Tournament

Team Aschoscho is hosting a One-Pitch Softball Tournament on Oct. 21 - 23, 2011, at the Capital Hill Softball Field. Entrance fee is $100, co-ed format, and maximum of 20 teams. Interested teams must attend the meeting this Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2011, 6pm at the Capital Hill Softball Field. For more information, contact one of the Team Aschoscho Officers or Jerome Delos Santos at 989-7456 or Jun Saralu at 285-9002. ***(PR)***

Parole in place workshop set

The Marianas Office of Micronesian Legal Services Corp. is hosting the last of its parole in place workshops on Sunday, Oct. 23, at American Memorial Park. The workshop will begin at 1pm. It is for parole in place for ONLY 1) those foreign nationals who hold a CNMI permanent residency status or 2) those who were born in the CNMI between Jan. 1, 1974, and Jan. 9, 1978.

Although MLSC will conduct the workshop to help people understand the process and put together their applications, no individual legal advice will be given. MLSC will not be accepting cases or filing on behalf of those who attend the workshops. The purpose of the session is simply to help get information out.

The workshop will be conducted in English. Do NOT bring children to the workshop. Children may not be left unattended in the Park's museum or gift shop. For more information, contact the Marianas Office at 234-6243. ***(MLSC)***

SSHS PTSA meeting today

Saipan Southern High School will have a PTSA meeting today, Oct. 19, beginning 6pm in the Manta café. ***(PR)***

KagES PTSA meeting today

Kagman Elementary School will have its second PTSA meeting this school year today, Oct. 19, at 6:30pm, in the school cafeteria. If you have any question, call 664-3911/12. ***(PR)***

Kagman High sets first PTSA meeting

The Kagman High School Chapter of the Parent, Teacher, Student Association is having its first meeting of the school year this Thursday, Oct. 20, 2011, from 6:30pm to 7:30pm at the cafeteria. We will be electing new PTSA officers and reporting to all Kagman High School's goals and plans for this accreditation year. We will share some of the first months data on attendance, discipline and achievement. And most importantly we will be collecting input and feedback to help guide us as we continuously improve all that we do for the Kagman community. ***(PR)***

Calling all NGOs in the CNMI

All CNMI non-government organization are invited to an organizational general membership meeting on Thursday, Oct. 20, 2011, at 5pm at your Joeten-Kiyu Public Library in Susupe. ***(PR)***

CNMI US ELIGIBLE WORKERS JOB EXPO

Friday, October 21, 2011

8:30am-2:00pm

Multi-Purpose Center

Susupe, Saipan

This job fair will allow CNMI employers to meet and discuss job openings within their firms with job seekers.

Applicants are encouraged to come prepared to discuss job opportunities with employers. Candidates should bring copies of their resumes, dress for success, and be prepared to tell employers why they should be considered for employment. To register, job seekers and interested employers can visit **jobs.marianas.us**, the **CNMI Department of Commerce** website, and the **Saipan Chamber of Commerce** website.

Pre-registration is highly encouraged. For more information or to register, please contact **Mr. Mark Rabauliman** at (670) 664-3002 or via email at elep2011@commerce.gov.mp. There is no charge and everyone is invited to attend.

This event is brought to you by the **CNMI Department of Commerce, Sorensen Media, job.marianas.us, & the Office of Congressman Edmund Villagomez.**

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Draconian laws could disenfranchise 5 million voters

Voting is supposed to be a right in this country, but many states are sabotaging that right.

According to a new report released by the Brennan Center for Justice, a number of states have passed new laws that block people from registering to vote. Some of these states have gone to ludicrous lengths to deny the franchise to their citizens.

With 19 new laws and two executive orders in place across the country (and at least 42 bills still pending), it is clear that some lawmakers believe that too many people are voting. These laws could impact the voting rights of as many as 5 million people across the country. And the restrictions will disproportionately impact low-income voters, the young, people of color and those with disabilities. Those states that have enacted such laws account for 171 electoral votes in 2012, 63 percent of the 270 needed to clinch the presidency.

Five states—Kansas, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Wisconsin—have passed onerous photo ID laws. Alabama, Kansas and Tennessee have new proof of citizenship laws in place. And Florida and Texas have severely restricted voter registration drives or eliminated them altogether. Florida, Georgia and Ohio have also eliminated early voting, while Maine has ended Election Day registration.

One victim of Tennessee's voter ID law is Dorothy Cooper, 96, who has been voting since her 20s. When Cooper, who is black, applied for a free state-issued ID with an envelope of documents to verify her identity, the clerk denied her request. The reason: She didn't have her marriage certificate.

And some states have made it more difficult to restore voting rights that were lost as a result of a criminal conviction. Florida and Iowa are particularly egregious cases of felon disenfranchisement. Gov. Terry Branstad of Iowa—the state with the highest rate of black disenfranchisement in the nation—has essentially wiped away, through an executive order, all voting rights for convicted felons. Gov. Rick Scott has done the same in Florida, disenfranchising as many as 1 million Floridians.

The proponents of these draconian laws are Republican lawmakers. Their stated reason for pushing this legislation is that voter fraud is rampant. But that argument is disingenuous, as voter fraud is less common than being struck by lightning, as the Brennan Center aptly notes.

Sadly, the real motivation for these laws is to win elections by eliminating large swaths of the electorate with the stroke of a pen. Students, the poor and the elderly of whatever color will have less of a chance to get into the voting booth.

We must overturn these restrictions on the franchise. Nothing less than democracy is at stake.

Charles Darwin the economist

By ROBERT H. FRANK
Los Angeles Times

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With good reason, most contemporary economists regard Adam Smith as the founder of their discipline. But I would instead accord that honor to Charles Darwin, the pioneering naturalist.

Although Darwin had no formal training in economics, he studied the works of early economists carefully, and the plants and animals that were his focus were embroiled in competitive struggles much like the ones we see in the marketplace. His observations forged an understanding of competition that is subtly but profoundly different from Smith's. The celebrated invisible hand theory that Smith developed holds that unfettered markets will ultimately channel self-interest to serve the common good. But this idea is really just an interesting special case of Darwin's more general theory.

Smith did not claim that markets always channel greed in socially productive ways. For him, the remarkable thing was that they often appeared to. Although his account of how that happens lacks the generality that many of his most enthusiastic modern disciples ascribe to it, it will endure as one of mankind's most impressive intellectual achievements.

Consider his description of product design improvements or cost-reducing innovations. The entrepreneurs who introduce them hope to steal sales from rivals. They often succeed spectacularly in the short term, which pressures rivals to mimic the innovations. The ultimate beneficiaries of this competition, Smith explained, are not businesses but consumers, who enjoy ever better products at ever lower prices.

In Darwin's theory, natural selection favors traits and behaviors that promote individual reproductive success. Many of the examples he observed were closely analogous to Smith's account of product design improvements. But Darwin also recognized that individual and group interests often conflict sharply and that, in those cases, individual interests generally trump group interests.

The evolution of keen eyesight among hawks is an example of the former type. A mutation that led to slightly improved vision benefited the individual in which it first occurred. By enabling that individual to catch more prey and feed more offspring, it spread quickly. Similar mutations accreted, with the result that virtually all modern hawks have astonishingly acute vision by human standards. Like Smith's product design improvements, these mutations no longer confer relative advantage to individual hawks, but their ultimate effect was to make hawks more effective as a species.

In many other cases, however, mutations that promote individual reproductive success prove costly to the larger group. A vivid case in point is the prodigious antlers of the bull elk. Like males of most other vertebrate species, these animals take more than one mate if they can. But if some succeed, others are left with none, making them the ultimate losers in Darwinian terms. It was thus inevitable that bulls would fight bitterly for access to females, and also inevitable that natural selection would spawn an arms race in the antlers that promoted success in those battles. But while the massive antlers of surviving bulls, which often span more than 4 feet and weigh more than 40 pounds, help them prevail in battles for mates, they are a serious handicap when bulls are chased into densely wooded areas by predators.

Because it is relative antler size that matters in battle, bulls would have good reasons to favor a proposal to trim each animal's antlers by half. The outcome of every fight would be the same as before, and each bull would be far better able to escape from wolves. Yet bulls are stuck with their handicap because any individual bull with smaller antlers would never win a mate.

In short, Darwin's understanding of competition makes clear that there can be no presumption that the process promotes the common good. Often it does. But success in Darwinian terms typically depends heavily on relative performance, and attempts to occupy scarce slots atop any hierarchy inevitably provoke wasteful, mutually offsetting arms races.

It's an important point, since the modern conservative's case for minimal government rests on the presumption that competition always promotes society's welfare. But our best understanding of how competition actually functions, as Darwin's work makes clear, supports no such presumption.

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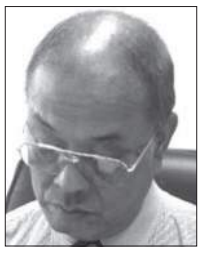
Troubling: Bigotry vs need



By JOHN S. DELROSARIO JR.
Special to the Saipan Tribune

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It is ludicrous for this administration to spin the views of governance by fielding a bigoted question on Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) that would include people from without. It came out swinging, red flagging that it would enable participation of people from the Freely Associated States and foreigners who have been here for five years and legally situated.

At best, it is an incendiary statement, unnecessarily raising the issue to the level of a racist class war. Perhaps it's time for this brigade to revisit the First Principles of the U.S. Constitution, its essence and lasting contribution toward fostering harmony and progress amongst all in "I Pluribus Unum."

Let's put this issue into perspective with finality: 1. SNAP is a federal program with its own sets of federal law, rules, and regulations. 2. It isn't subject to substantive change by the states or territories. 3. We'd be slammed from the outset if perchance we turn the program heedlessly into a racist program. Shall we buckle down and do what's legally right? After all, it's federal law!

And with an administration whose performance rating is way below mediocrity on economic recovery, at least Uncle Sam is there to cushion where this administration has failed its people grandly.

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On Public 17-51: It must be a bad law that at best was incidental to an already imperiled Fund. The Fund has long been careening to bankruptcy. Of course, I'd be the first to protest that law especially when I can milk the system of millions of dollars. Naturally, seeking legal insulation is the way to protect my income as money managers and investment consultants. Now, take a closer scrutiny at what's happening at "Occupy Wall Street" in NY, DC, and across the nation.

Interesting, though, how the heads of the board and Fund have finally showed their true colors. Their interest is to protect the money making scheme of external managers and consultants from lawsuits by providing legal insulation. You see, gentlemen, you ignored the rights of retirees (people who justified your existence) to sue in order to secure *what is due them* when the greedy bunch fails to fulfill their fiduciary duties. The law is not only "incidental" but equally inconsequential! Now, how is it that MPLT did an exemplary job on its investments portfolios while the Fund, through your less than sterling performance as leaders, went Deep South?

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Public Law 3-99: The newly elected chairman of the retirees' association, Mr. Lorenzo Cabrera, has begun researching where the Fund started its long journey into bankruptcy. He found that under Public 3-99 the administration is given the privilege to remit to the Fund its financial needs. Did this law absolve the administration from the timely remittance of its share of employer contributions?

I am in agreement with the chairman that the administration isn't absolved in its obligation to remit the employer's contribution and must therefore defer to the principal law that established the Fund. PL 3-99 also permitted double dipping and other woefully generous, though destructive, provisions that drained the Fund of its money. I am sure the chairman would find many more irresponsible laws that led to the demise of the Fund today.

Political pundits scanning landscape

There are whispers in various quarters of political reorganization by old and new kingmakers, the former convinced that they still have the charisma to move mountains. Comically surprising, this is coming even from those who have literally lost their marbles to arrogance, clueless of the perception of governance on their failed leadership. Admirable though their belief that they still have it. But let's probe deeper if only to get a preliminary glimpse of the fence posts that have long been slammed to the ground in recent past.

The foremost question is: Can the Covenant Party retain control of the lower chamber or for that matter, the Republican minority? It's a highly questionable situational issue where the incumbent would be slammed the brunt of raw dissatisfaction from governance for their royal failure to improve their lots. In short, a lot of people are suffering from abject poverty that led to home foreclosures, and there's no wider target than the ruling majority. But there's the other half of a highly fragile equation where the governor has done his bid singing, "Daddy's Home."

Does the GOP leadership wish to dance the waltz to this tune? Would it give it their tacit approval or would a more deliberative approach be taken as to include singing a completely unpleasant tune? It's a highly volatile situation. How incumbent Republicans fare is contingent upon how it treats the proposed merger for the impending midterm election. That the merger may or may not occur is an ugly sight in itself, loaded with powerful stench from each side.

Political infighting in the Covenant and GOP camps would derail and deny both sides the opportunity to carefully size up what's ahead. Neither side can claim "united we stand" but both sides can intone "divided we fall." Most followers would steer clear joining either side and not when subtle collusion between milquetoast politicians is too obvious. Not ready to repeat history!

Obama should honor promise to our Iraqi helpers

By TRUDY RUBIN
THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER

In September 2007, Barack Obama made a stump speech berating the Bush team for breaking faith with Iraqis who had helped Americans.

"One tragic outcome of this war," said Obama, "is that the Iraqis who stood with America—the interpreters, embassy workers, and subcontractors—are being targeted for assassination. ... And yet our doors are shut.

"That is not how we treat our friends. That is not who we are as Americans."

If that is so, Mr. President, why are our doors still virtually closed to our Iraqi helpers, as we exit their country? Why are you consigning many of them to death?

In 2008, Congress passed legislation calling for 25,000 special immigrant visas, or SIVs, to be issued over a five-year period—to Iraqis whose lives were endangered because they'd worked for U.S. soldiers or civilians. The law's criteria were so arduous that only about 3,600 have been issued; at least 1,500 are pending a decision.

What's worse, the numbers have slowed to a trickle just as we're departing. Only 10 SIVs were issued in August. The preliminary figure for September is 46. At that rate, it will be years before the backlog is cleared.

U.S. troops are leaving Iraq by the end of 2011. I've received dozens of e-mails from desperate Iraqi interpreters (some with glowing recommendations from senior U.S. military officers) who have all received death threats. Some interpreters are getting kicked off U.S. bases where they've lived for safety's sake, because those bases are closing.

We know what's likely to happen. Iraqi militants have already denounced those "terps" as "traitors" who should get "nine bullets." When the British left Iraqi staff behind in 2006, 17 of their interpreters were publicly executed in Basra.

We promised to get our Iraqi staff out. To quote candidate Obama: "Keeping this moral obligation is a key part of how we turn the page in Iraq."

So let's cut to the chase, President Obama: Do you intend to honor your promise? Or will you betray the Iraqis who helped us? If you don't intervene, the SIV logjam won't budge.

That's because the SIV issue is caught in a bureaucratic thicket; nothing will move without White House intervention. The recent slowdown in SIVs stems from new security checks put in place after the arrest of two Iraqis in May in Kentucky for terrorist links. (These two rotten apples did not have SIVs.)

Senior administration officials tell me of top-level meetings dedicated to getting the SIV backlog cleared—"within months." I believe they are sincere, but the numbers aren't moving.

Too many agencies are involved, and no senior White House official seems seized with this issue. (Where, I wonder, is the push from the National Security Council's Samantha Power, who once wrote so eloquently on Iraqi refugees?)

There's only one solution. In the words of Kirk Johnson, who runs the List Project, an organization dedicated to helping these Iraqis: "If President Obama said this was a moral obligation and we're going to save these people because they saved U.S. lives, do you really think there would be an eight-month wait?"

No, I don't.

But presidential eloquence alone won't save these Iraqis. There is one obvious way to clear the logjam: an airlift to remove our Iraqi friends from danger.

There is plenty of precedent for such an airlift. In 1975, after initially abandoning massive numbers of our South Vietnamese allies, Gerald Ford finally authorized a massive airlift to evacuate them to Guam and, eventually, to the United States.

In 1996, Bill Clinton ordered Operation Pacific Haven, which flew 6,000 Iraqi Kurds and other opposition activists from Iraqi Kurdestan to Guam, after Saddam Hussein's troops invaded the region. The operation took only two weeks, and security checks were conducted in Guam. If Obama ordered a similar airlift, security checks could also be conducted in Guam.

There are more recent precedents, too. The Poles, Danes, and Australians airlifted their Iraqi staff out out of the country; after the massacre in Basra, the British returned and flew out endangered staff.

Are we less honorable than the Poles, Danes, Australians, and Brits? I'll hold off on an answer. Yet, senior administration officials tell me no airlift is being considered.

Perhaps the Obama team fears the Vietnam comparison will make it look bad. It will look far worse if Iraqis we pledged to save are slaughtered—because they didn't get their visas in time.

Administration officials also tell me that efforts to clear the backlog will become more intense as the end of the year approaches. But if those efforts fail, it may be too late to organize an airlift.

In 2007, Obama said we had a "moral obligation" to those Iraqis who helped us. History will judge him on how he honors that pledge.

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Letter to the Editor

Don't delay PUC

In the matter of GTA's application for certificate of public convenience and necessity, in order to provide competitive local exchange telecommunications services in the Commonwealth, I was pleased to read the "Memorandum Order" that was penned by the Commonwealth Public Utilities Commission Hearing Examiner, Mr. Harry Boertzel, who rightfully granted GTA its rights to proceed with its plan to provide "intrastate" facilities based and resold telecommunications services in the Commonwealth.

In the order, the Hearing Examiner clearly stated: "Further delay in the issuance of GTA's certificate, which is intended to foster competition, would be unfair and counterproductive to this policy goal."

Therefore, I strongly urge that the PUC sign the Hearing Examiner's already prepared "Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity" without delay. The residents of the Commonwealth deserve more competitive telecommunication facilities, so that no company in the CNMI can monopolize the pricing and services provided.

GTA's success on Guam can now be extended to the entire Commonwealth, and the Saipan-Rota-Tinian winners will be plenty. Don't delay PUC.

Rep. Stanley T. McGinnis Torres
17th Legislature
Capital Hill, Saipan

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The Weather

5-Day Forecast for Saipan and Tinian

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Partly sunny with isolated showers and thunderstorms. East winds around 10 mph.	Mostly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Southeast winds around 10 mph.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers.
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Micronesia

Guam and Rota	Thunderstorms	▲84	▼77
Palau	Thunderstorms	▲87	▼77
Yap	Partly Cloudy	▲88	▼77
Chuuk	Rain	▲83	▼76
Pohnpei	Showers	▲87	▼72
Kosrae	Showers	▲87	▼76
Majuro	Thunderstorms	▲84	▼75

Around The Globe

Auckland	Showers	▲61	▼52
Beijing	Partly Cloudy	▲71	▼52
Hong Kong	Sunny	▲80	▼74
Honolulu	Mostly Sunny	▲85	▼73
London	Mostly Sunny	▲54	▼37
Los Angeles	Sunny	▲79	▼58
Manila	Thundershowers	▲90	▼79
Melbourne	Sunny	▲83	▼63
Miami	Showers	▲83	▼65
New York	Mostly Cloudy	▲69	▼56
Osaka	Mostly Sunny	▲77	▼61
Paris	Mostly Sunny	▲55	▼38
Pusan	Windy	▲71	▼60
Rome	Showers	▲73	▼57
Salem	Sunny	▲71	▼49
San Francisco	Partly Cloudy	▲74	▼60
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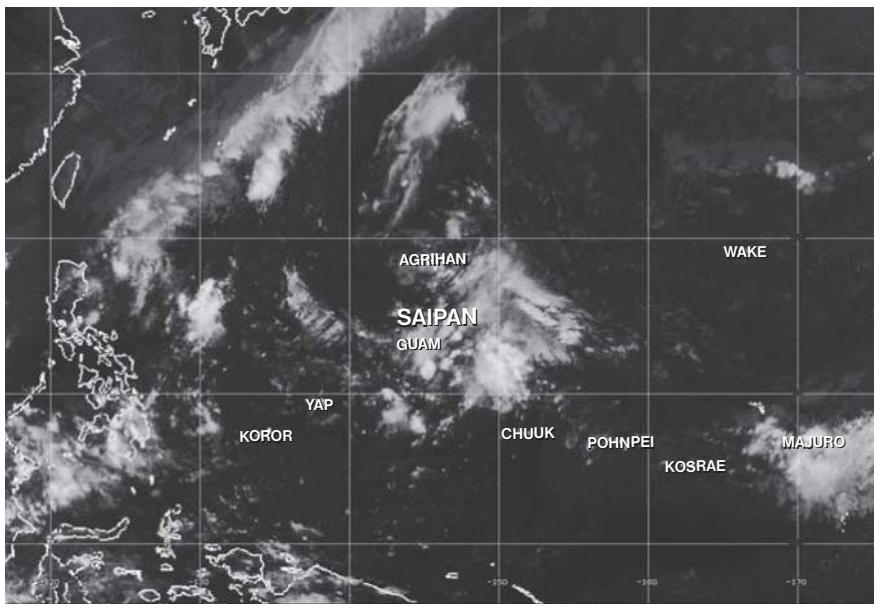
Yesterday's Satellite Image



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Western North Pacific between equator and 25N from 130E to 180.

A surface trough north of Yap is producing scattered showers and a few thunderstorms within 100 miles of a line from 10N137E to 16N137E. An upper-level low centered near 18N143E and a surface trough extending northward from near Pagan are coupling to generate scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms over the far Northern Mariana Islands and east of Iwo To island within 120 miles of a line from 17N144E to 25N146E. Another surface trough stretches northeast from 8N143E to 14N151E. Scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms are found near Guam and well north of Chuuk within 215 miles of a line from 10N144E to 15N152E. Converging low-level winds are producing scattered showers and a few thunderstorms just south of Majuro east of a line from 3N168E to 7N168E.

Tides

Saipan Harbor

6:05 AM	Today	Low Tide:	0.0 Feet
1:38 PM	Today	High Tide:	1.7 Feet
7:04 PM	Today	Low Tide:	1.3 Feet
11:16 PM	Today	High Tide:	1.6 Feet

Sunrise/Sunset

Today	6:09 AM	5:55 PM
Thursday	6:10 AM	5:54 PM
Friday	6:10 AM	5:54 PM
Saturday	6:10 AM	5:53 PM
Sunday	6:10 AM	5:52 PM

Moonrise/Moonset

Today	11:25 PM	11:45 AM
Thursday		12:32 PM
Friday	12:20 AM	1:18 PM
Saturday	1:16 AM	2:03 PM
Sunday	2:12 AM	2:48 PM

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GUAM (GUM)-ROTA (ROP)			
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SAIPAN (SPN)-ROTA (ROP)			
C05064	4:25am	5:00am	1, 5
SAIPAN-GUAM (GUM)			
C05070	4:25am	5:15am	2, 3, 4, 6, 7
C05064	4:25am	6:00am	1, 5 via ROP
5K384	7:20am	8:10am	2, 6
C05068	7:55am	8:45am	3, 6
C05068	8:30am	9:20am	1, 2, 4, 5, 7
C05074	12:10pm	1:00pm	1, 4, 5, 7
C05076	3:05pm	3:55pm	1, 2, 4, 5, 7
5K386	5:50pm	6:40pm	3, 4, 7
C05078	6:35pm	7:25pm	Daily
5K382	9:20pm	10:10pm	1, 5
C05072	9:35pm	10:25pm	Daily
SAIPAN-NAGOYA (NGO)			
5K212	8:20am	10:55am	4, 7
SAIPAN-NARITA (NRT)			
DL287	6:05am	8:45am	Daily
DL297	4:35pm	7:15pm	Daily
SAIPAN-SEOUL (ICN)			
OZ606	2:20am	6:00am	1
OZ606	2:50am	6:30am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
OZ604	3:30pm	7:00pm	2, 4, 6, 7
SAIPAN-GUANZHOU (CAN)			
3U8646	4:20am	7:30am	2, 6
SAIPAN-SHANGHAI (PVG)			
3U8648	6:05am	8:30am	1, 5
SAIPAN-MANILA (MNL)			
OZ606/701	2:20am	11:15am	1 via ICN
OZ606/701	2:50am	11:15am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN
C05070/191	4:25am	9:45am	3, 6 via GUM
DL287/173	6:05am	10:10pm	Daily via NRT
C05068/183	7:55am	8:40pm	3, 6 via GUM
C05076/183	3:05pm	8:40pm	1, 2, 4, 5, 7 via GUM
C05076/193	3:05pm	10:10pm	2, 5 via GUM-Palau
C05072/PR111	9:30pm	7:50am	1, 3, 5, 6, 7 via GUM
SAIPAN-HONG KONG (HKG)			
OZ606/721	2:20am	11:50am	1 via ICN
OZ606/721	2:50am	11:50am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN
5K168	8:15am	11:25pm	1, 5
C05076/179	3:05pm	9:25pm	1, 5 via GUM

ARRIVALS

ROTA (ROP)-GUAM (GUM)			
C05064	5:30am	6:00am	1, 5
ROTA (ROP)-SAIPAN (SPN)			
C05062	3:20am	3:55am	1, 5
GUAM (GUM)-SAIPAN			
C05062	2:20am	3:55am	1, 5 via ROP
C05069	2:45am	3:35am	2, 3, 4, 6, 7
5K387	6:30am	7:20am	1, 3, 4, 5, 7
C05071	6:35am	7:25am	3, 6
C05071	7:00am	7:50am	1, 2, 4, 5, 7
C05073	10:05am	10:55am	1, 2, 4, 5, 7
C05075	1:40pm	2:30pm	1, 4, 5, 7
C05077	5:10pm	6:00pm	Daily
5K383	6:30pm	7:20pm	2, 6
C05079	8:10pm	9:00pm	Daily
NAGOYA (NGO)-SAIPAN			
5K213	11:55am	4:25pm	4, 7
NARITA (NRT)-SAIPAN			
DL298	10:25am	3:00pm	Daily
DL288	8:05pm	12:35am+1	Daily
SEOUL (ICN)-SAIPAN			
OZ603	9:00am	2:30pm	2, 4, 6, 7
OZ605	7:40pm	1:10am+1	7
OZ605	8:10pm	1:40am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
GUANZHOU (CAN)-SAIPAN			
3U8645	7:40pm	3:00am+1	1, 5
SHANGHAI (PVG)-SAIPAN			
3U8647	10:40pm	5:00am+1	4, 7
MANILA (MNL)-SAIPAN			
OZ704/603	12:10am	2:30pm	2, 4, 6, 7 via ICN
DL172/288	7:55am	12:35am+1	Daily via NRT
C0190/5079	10:55am	9:00pm	3, 6 via GUM
OZ702/605	12:35pm	1:10am+1	7 via ICN
OZ702/605	12:35pm	1:40am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN
C0192/5071	9:55pm	7:50am+1	2, 5 via GUM-Palau
PR110/C05071	10:00pm	7:25am+1	5 via GUM
PR110/C05071	10:00pm	7:50am+1	1, 3, 6, 7 via GUM
C0184/5071	10:55pm	7:25am+1	3, 6 via GUM
C0184/5071	10:55pm	7:50am+1	1, 4, 7 via GUM
C0184/5071	11:25pm	7:50am+1	2, 5 via GUM
HONG KONG (HKG)-SAIPAN			
OZ724/603	12:30am	2:30pm	2, 4, 6, 7 via ICN
5K169	1:00pm	8:05pm	1, 5
OZ722/605	1:10pm	1:10am+1	7 via ICN
OZ722/605	1:10pm	1:40am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN
C0180/5071	10:30pm	7:50am+1	1, 5 via GUM
C0180/5071	10:30pm	7:50am+1	1, 5 via GUM

LEGEND: Days: Monday (1), Tuesday (2), Wednesday (3), Thursday (4), Friday (5), Saturday (6) and Sunday (7); 5K: FlyGuam; 3U: Sichuan Airlines; CZ: China Southern; CO: Continental; DL: Delta Airlines; OZ: Asiana

ETD: Estimated Time of Departure; ETA: Estimated Time of Arrival. The *Saipan Tribune* is not responsible for any changes in the schedule.)

FREEDOM AIR FLIGHT SCHEDULE

Airline	ETD	ETA	Frequency
Guam–Rota			
FRE 100	7:30	8:00	Daily
Rota–Saipan			
FRE 100	8:20	8:50	Daily
Guam–Rota			
FRE 300	17:00	17:30	Daily
Rota–Saipan	17:50	18:20	Daily
Saipan–Rota			
FRE 200	9:30	10:00	Daily
Rota–Guam	10:20	10:45	Daily
Saipan–Rota			
FRE 400	18:55	19:25	Daily
Rota–Guam			
FRE 400	19:40	20:10	Daily
Saipan–Tinian			
FRE 101	6:45	6:55	Daily
FRE 103	7:30	7:40	Daily
FRE 105	8:00	8:10	Daily
FRE 107	8:40	8:50	Daily
FRE 109	9:10	9:20	Daily
FRE 111	10:45	10:55	Daily

Airline	ETD	ETA	Frequency
FRE 115	13:00	13:10	Daily
FRE 117	14:30	14:40	Daily
FRE 119	16:00	16:10	Daily
FRE 121	16:40	16:50	Daily
FRE 123	17:40	17:50	Daily
FRE 125	18:30	18:40	Daily
Tinian–Saipan			
FRE 102	7:05	7:15	Daily
FRE 104	7:50	8:00	Daily
FRE 106	8:20	8:30	Daily
FRE 108	9:00	9:10	Daily
FRE 110	10:00	10:10	Daily
FRE 112	11:05	11:15	Daily
FRE 114	12:00	12:10	Daily
FRE 116	13:30	13:40	Daily
FRE 118	14:50	15:00	Daily
FRE 120	16:20	16:30	Daily
FRE 122	17:00	17:10	Daily
FRE 124	18:05	18:15	Daily
FRE 126	18:50	19:00	Daily

Business

BlackBerry maker tries to soothe angry customers

TORONTO (AP)—The maker of the struggling BlackBerry tried to soothe tens of millions of frustrated customers Monday, offering more than $100 worth of free software to each one and giving some a month of technical support as compensation for last week's massive outage.

But some BlackBerry users and experts cast doubt on whether the freebies from Research In Motion would be enough to keep people from abandoning the tarnished brand in favor of more popular smartphones.

"Most of the people that use BlackBerrys are business people and all they care about is: `Does it work?'" said Chris Allen, a cable technician in Fall River, Mass.

The free software will be made available over the coming weeks on BlackBerry App World. The premium apps, which typically cost $5 to $15 each, include programs such as iSpeech Translator and the games "Bejeweled" and "Texas Hold'em Poker 2."

The offer runs until the end of the year. The free technical support will be available to corporate customers.

The blackout began when a crucial traffic-routing computer failed in Europe. A backup also failed, causing a cascade of problems all over the world that interrupted email and Internet services for many, if not most, of the company's 70 million users for three days.

The disruption could not have come at a worse time for RIM as it struggles to compete with Apple's iPhone and with smartphones running the Android system from Google Inc.

AP
In this photo taken Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2011, a Blackberry subscriber holds a Research in Motion Blackberry in Ottawa.

Apple Inc. released a new iPhone model Friday, quickly selling 4 million of the devices—more than the average number of BlackBerrys RIM sells per month.

RIM is also in the process of transitioning to a new operating system, a major undertaking that introduces even more uncertainty.

Jim Balsillie, one of the company's co-CEOs, acknowledged Monday that the manufacturer is under intense pressure. But he defended the handling of its worst-ever outage and noted that RIM has survived rough times before.

"This is something we would like to offer as our form of thanks," Balsillie said.

Balsillie and co-CEO Mike Lazaridis did not comment publicly until Thursday morning, four days after the interruption began.

John Crean, national managing partner of Nation Public Relations, the largest public-relations firm in Canada, said RIM was too slow to react.

"They should have had their CEOs out earlier and more visible," Crean said.

In the first days of the crisis, Balsillie said, he was busy trying to find the root of the problem and didn't have time to comment. He said he was in the Middle East and spent day and night on the phone with customers and carriers.

"The most important thing is staying connected to the ecosystem and making sure you're on what's the root cause. If you spend more time on PR, it's less time finding the root cause," Balsillie said.

Crean said the latest crisis only adds to the woes of a company that has steadily lost the cachet of having the must-have smartphone.

"The brand has diminished significantly in the last year, and this is not helping at all," Crean said.

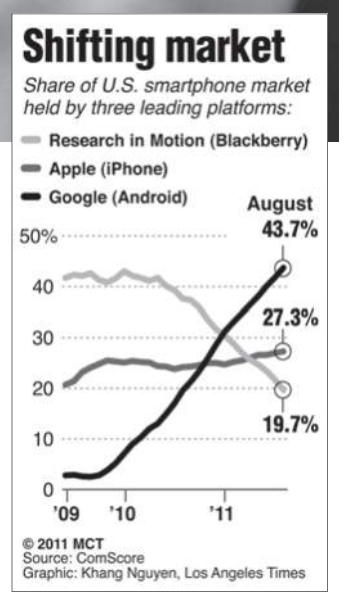
The app offer is a good tactic, Crean said, but by no means a strategy to repair the brand. He said he still has not heard what sort of action, if any, is being taken to prevent another blackout.

When service went out Wednesday in the United States, Allen worked around it by using a third-party Web browser that wasn't tied to BlackBerry's network.

Still, he's pretty sure he will get another BlackBerry when his phone contract is up next year.

"There's nothing that can beat a BlackBerry for productivity," Allen said.

Vandana Mehra, who works for the World Bank in the Indian capital of New Delhi, thought the free apps were "kind of ludicrous." Her apps tend to crash, and she doesn't use them much.



China's economic growth slows amid cooling efforts

BEIJING (AP)—China's rapid economic growth eased in the latest quarter to a still-robust 9.1 percent amid government efforts to prevent overheating.

Growth of the world's second-largest economy in the three months ending in September was down from the previous quarter's 9.5 percent and the lowest level in two years, data showed Tuesday. The government said that was in line with plans to steer growth that hit 10.3 percent last year to a more sustainable level and cool politically dangerous inflation.

The moderation comes amid Europe's debt crisis and high U.S. unemployment and might reduce China's contribution to global growth, though analysts say its expansion cannot shore up a slumping world economy on its own.

"This means China itself is still growing well and will continue to generate demand for commodities and exports," said Darius Kowalczyk, senior economist for Credit Agricole CIB in Hong Kong. Still, he said, "I don't think they are going to save the world."

Beijing has repeatedly hiked interest rates and imposed curbs on construction and other investment to prevent runaway growth and cool inflation that surged to a 37-month high of 6.5 percent in July. It has promised to ease some bank lending curbs to help struggling small businesses but analysts expect it to maintain most of its controls.

A government spokesman said the latest data, which also showed strong retail sales and factory production, was evidence Beijing's strategy was working and the economy was on the right track.

"There is quite a strong possibility for China's economy to maintain steady and relatively fast growth," said a spokesman for the National Statistics Bureau, Sheng Laiyun, at a news conference.

Sheng warned China faces "rising risks" due to weakness in key U.S. and European export markets. But he said it is unlikely to suffer a "double dip," or relapse into an economic slump.

China is forecast to account for about one-third of global growth this year. But analysts caution that its consumption and investment are too small to offset lower U.S. and European demand. Its multibillion-dollar trade surplus also limits benefits for its trading partners.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Oil hovers above $86 amid Europe debt plan doubts

SINGAPORE (AP)—Oil prices hovered above $86 a barrel Tuesday in Asia after comments from Germany that downplayed a possible plan to contain Europe's debt crisis. Benchmark crude for November delivery was up 10 cents at $86.48 a barrel at midday Singapore time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract fell 42 cents to settle at $86.38 in New York on Monday. Brent crude for December delivery was down 5 cents at $110.11 a barrel on the ICE Futures Exchange in London.

Asian stocks down as Europe debt crisis boils

BANGKOK (AP)—Asian stock markets tumbled Tuesday after China's robust economic growth slowed and German leaders warned that a comprehensive solution to Europe's debt crisis may not be near. Japan's Nikkei 225 lost 1.5 percent to 8,742.57 and Hong Kong's Hang Seng plunged 3.5 percent to 18,226.75. South Korea's Kospi fell 1.5 percent to 1,836.50. Benchmarks in Singapore, Taiwan, Australia, Indonesia and the Philippines were also lower. In mainland China, the Shanghai Composite Index dropped 1.3 percent to 2,408.27. The government announced that growth declined to 9.1 percent in the three months through September, down from 9.5 percent the previous quarter.

Halliburton gets boost from increased drilling

NEW YORK (AP)—A five-month slump in oil prices hasn't spooked the petroleum industry so far. Halliburton Co., a major provider of oil industry services, said its profit increased 26 percent in the third quarter as drilling activity rose in in the U.S. The Houston-based company is the first big player in the industry to report third-quarter results. The number of drilling projects grew 6 percent in the U.S. from the second to third quarter, Halliburton said. The company expects producers to continue to drill aggressively for oil in the U.S., particularly the rich underground shale deposits such as the Eagle Ford region of Texas and the Bakken region in North Dakota and Montana. New technologies have allowed companies to cheaply produce oil and natural gas from those fields, sparking a rush to drill despite a 24-percent drop in the price of benchmark crude since May.

STOCK PORTFOLIO

LEADING INDICATORS

DOW	S&P	NASDAQ
11,397.00	1,200.86	2,614.92
-247.49	-23.72	-52.93
-2.13%	-1.94%	-1.98%

EXCHANGE RATES

In U.S. dollar terms

Australian Dollar	0.9802	Hong Kong Dollar	7.7765	Philippine Peso	43.1500
British Pound	0.6328	Indian Rupee	49.1350	Singapore Dollar	1.2678
Canadian Dollar	1.0216	Indonesian Rupiah	8,855.0	South Korean Won	1,145.53
Chinese Yuan	6.3797	Japanese Yen	76.8200	Swiss Franc	0.8965
Euro	0.7260	Malaysian Ringgit	3.1165	Taiwan Dollar	30.1060
		New Zealand Dollar	1.2630	Thailand Baht	30.6150

Nation

For a jobs bill in pieces, Obama hits road in NC

FLETCHER, N.C. (AP)— Rolling through small Southern towns in a campaign-style bus, President Barack Obama on Monday pressed lawmakers back in Washington to start taking up pieces of his rejected jobs bill and mocked the Republicans who had shot it down in total. The Senate moved to vote soon on one part, a plan to help states hire teachers, but the proposal seemed doomed.

Deep in the mountains of politically important North Carolina, Obama soaked up the region's autumn beauty at the same time he assailed foes of his jobs legislation, accusing them of failing to listen to the public.

Back at the Capitol, Senate Democrats announced they would act first on a single part of Obama's plan, a longshot bid to help states hire teachers and police. A Senate vote could come as soon as the end of the week. If not, it would probably fall into November because the Senate plans to take a break next week, even as Obama urges quick action.

AP

With his bus in the background, President Barack Obama greets people outside of Mast General Store in Boone, N.C., Monday, Oct. 17, 2011.

In North Carolina, the president directed his most pointed remarks at Senate Republicans, who last week blocked action on his full $447 billion proposal combining tax cuts and new spending. "Essentially they said no to you," Obama told a supportive crowd outside Asheville. Noting that Republicans will now get a chance to vote on elements of his jobs agenda one by one, he said: "Maybe they just couldn't understand the whole thing all at once. So we're going to break it up into bite-size pieces."

Republicans denounced the bus trip as nothing more than a taxpayer-funded campaign trip through two must-win states to try to bolster Obama's standing for the 2012 election.

As he traveled along on his imposing black bus, there was little denying the presidential politics at play at each stop. Over three days, Obama is covering the countryside of both North Carolina and Virginia, two traditionally GOP-leaning states that he won in 2008 on his campaign's ability to boost turnout among young people and black voters. Senate Democrats unveiled the first individual bill, which would spend $30 billion to create or save education jobs and $5 billion to do the same for police and firefighters.

The money would come from a new half-percent tax on income over $1 million, a proposal vigorously opposed by GOP lawmakers.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid promised a vote "as soon as possible."

The outcome seemed clear: The plan is unlikely to gain the 60 votes it would need to proceed in the Senate. And it's a non-starter in the Republican House.

More broadly, some aspects of Obama's jobs agenda are expected to become law this fall.

The most likely include extending tax breaks for businesses that buy new equipment, and offering a $4,800 tax credit to companies that hire veterans. There's also bipartisan support for repealing a law that requires the withholding of 3 percent of payments to government contractors.

Democrats and the White House, meanwhile, are confident that Obama's call to extend cuts in Social Security payroll taxes will pass. A two percentage point payroll tax cut enacted last year expires at the end of the year; Obama has proposed cutting it by an additional percentage point and extending the cut to the first $5 million of a company's payroll.

That proposal is hugely expensive— almost $250 billion by administration estimates— and it is not clear how and whether the parties would agree on how to pay for it.

Happy to be back on the road, Obama found a friendly audience that broke into a chant of "four more years." Said the president in response: "I appreciate the four more years, but right now I'm thinking about the next thirteen months."

KC mom admits she was drunk on night baby vanished

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)— The mother of a missing Kansas City baby said Monday that she was drunk when her daughter disappeared, may have blacked out and actually last saw the child hours before the time she originally told police she checked on her.

The revelations came hours before a New York attorney best known for defending Joran Van der Sloot, the Dutch man suspected in the 2005 disappearance of Natalee Holloway in Aruba, said he had been hired to represent parents Deborah Bradley and Jeremy Irwin.

The couple reported their 10-month-old daughter missing Oct. 4 after Irwin returned from working a night shift and found the front door unlocked, the house lights blazing, a window tampered with and the baby gone. Bradley and their two sons were asleep elsewhere in the home.

AP

This file photo provided Oct. 4, 2011, by the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department, shows Lisa Irwin.

Bradley told police she last saw her daughter, Lisa Irwin, when she checked on her at 10:30 p.m. But Monday, she told NBC's "Today" show she actually last saw Lisa when she put her to bed at 6:40 p.m. She gave no explanation for the modified times.

Bradley told Fox News that she got drunk after she put her children to bed that night and may have blacked out. Asked how much she drank that night and whether it was more than five glasses of wine, she responded, "probably." She said she didn't have more than 10 glasses. Bradley said she frequently drinks heavily at home but only after her children are safely in bed. She also said she takes anxiety medication and had taken a dose that day.

Bradley told NBC that police accused her of killing Lisa and she believes she will be arrested. But she also insisted again that she had not harmed her daughter.

"No, no ... I don't think alcohol changes a person enough to do something like that," she said.

She defended her actions when asked on Fox News how she would respond to people critical of her heavy drinking while caring for her children.

Woman dials 911 from facial room during shooting

SEAL BEACH, Calif. (AP)— With gunfire blazing and people wailing, a woman hiding in the back of a hair salon quietly pleaded with emergency dispatchers to send help.

"Please hurry," the woman said. "People are screaming and crying."

The recording of her voice on the 911 call was one of seven released Monday by Seal Beach, Calif., police in the aftermath of the Salon Meritage massacre that left eight dead and one severely wounded.

Callers described the same horror. They were cowering behind cars, holed up in back rooms and afraid they were going to die.

Scott Dekraai, the ex-husband of one of the salon workers, was quickly arrested nearby and charged with eight counts of murder and one count of attempted murder. Prosecutors say the 42-year-old former tugboat operator was seeking revenge against his ex-wife, a stylist who worked in the salon, in a custody dispute over their 8-year-old son.

The Orange County district attorney intends to seek the death penalty if Dekraai is convicted.

Sobbing, one woman called while hiding behind a car in the parking lot.

"A gunman came in and killed a bunch of people. They're all lying down on the floor," she said frantically, adding that she got a look at the shooter.

The dispatcher asked if she saw where he went.

"No, I got down and put my hands over my neck like an air raid drill and was just hoping he wasn't gonna kill me," she said, bursting into tears.

In another 911 recording, a caller from a business next door can be heard asking someone else if the doors are locked.

"And how many shots did you hear?" the emergency dispatcher asked.

"He's still shooting right now. He's still shooting right now," the caller said.

"OK. And how many shots have you heard?" the dispatcher asked as someone interjected, "Oh my God."

The caller went on to say she heard 10 shots.

"We need somebody here, like, right now," the caller demanded.

Almost immediately, bits of information about the shooter began to emerge from the callers. A hairstylist who escaped to a nearby business told a dispatcher the gunman wore a Hawaiian-like shirt and was the ex-husband of "one of the girls," but she didn't know his name. Another caller pointed authorities to a man in a white truck.

ACROSS THE NATION

Police: Boston fire may have been suicide attempt

BOSTON (AP)—An explosion and fire at an apartment building early Monday may have been the result of a failed suicide attempt, according to a preliminary police investigation. Firefighters rescued at least 15 people, including a 6-year-old boy who was dropped from a third-floor window of a large apartment building in the city's Roxbury neighborhood. A man, Mohamed Abdul Jabar, was arrested after he showed up at Boston Medical Center with burns and claimed he started the fire, police said.

DUI arrest: Tenn. Rep. resigns committee post

FRANKLIN, Tenn. (AP)— The state lawmaker who led Tennessee to loosen laws that kept handguns out of bars gave up his chairmanship of an influential state House committee, fallout from his arrest last week on charges of driving and carrying a gun while drunk. Republican Rep. Curry Todd said in a statement Monday that he won't chair the House State and Local Government Committee while his case is pending. His committee handled most alcohol bills and many other proposals affecting Tennessee cities and counties. Authorities say Todd, a former Memphis police officer, was arrested in Nashville on Oct. 11 after failing a roadside sobriety test. A loaded .38-caliber gun was in his car.

Police: Mich. man had daughter, 9, drive to store

BROWNSTOWN TOWNSHIP, Mich. (AP)—A Detroit-area man had his 9-year-old daughter drive him to the store because he had apparently been drinking, police said Monday, and surveillance video from a gas station shows him telling a clerk that his daughter was his "designated driver." Brownstown Township Detective Lt. Robert Grant said the girl was sitting behind the wheel in a child's booster seat before 3 a.m. on Oct. 8, when an officer opened the driver's side door of the full-sized panel van her father uses for work. He said she was surprised when police pulled her over. She said to the officer, "What did you stop me for? I was driving good," Grant told the Detroit Free Press and The Detroit News. The father, who told officers he was teaching his daughter to drive, was arrested and refused a Breathalyzer test, Grant said. He was charged with second- and fourth-degree child abuse during an Oct. 10 arraignment. He was ordered to have no contact with his daughter.

Asia

Bangkok reinforcing flood defenses, death toll at 315

AP

Factory workers join hands in stacking sandbags to make flood barriers at Nawa Nakorn industrial district on the outskirts of Bangkok, Thailand Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011.

BANGKOK (AP)—Soldiers, civil servants and families worked frantically Tuesday to add more than 1 million sandbags to Bangkok's vulnerable northern flood defenses after the city's governor warned they were needed to keep waters from swamping the capital.

Gov. Sukhumbhand Paribatra said late Monday that a 6-kilometer (3.7-mile) flood wall on the edge of the city's suburbs was vulnerable from massive pools of runoff flowing down from the north, signaling the threat to the city was still grave. He said the wall needed to be reinforced by Wednesday night.

"Every second counts," said Sukhumbhand Paribatra, whose call for city residents not to let down their guard contrasted government statements that the flood threat to Bangkok appeared to be easing.

At least 315 people have been killed in the worst flooding to hit Thailand in more than 50 years. Monsoon downpours that began in July have inundated two-thirds of the country, and some areas remain under more than 6 feet (2 meters) of water that is unlikely to dissipate for weeks.

The floods have brought life to a standstill in affected towns and cities. Economic analysts say the floods have already reduced GDP projections for 2011 to as low as 2.5 percent from 4.4 percent and could inflict around $6 billion in damage—an amount that could double if floods swamp Bangkok.

Sukhumbhand said barriers had to be built up at several canals carrying overflow water from heavily inundated Pathum Thani province, just north of Bangkok, where soldiers have joined volunteers in trying to save the country's oldest industrial estate from being inundated.

Sukhumbhand has consistently taken a more cautious view of the flooding threat than the government of Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra, who also heads a rival political party. Officials in charge of fighting the flood had suggested earlier Monday that Bangkok would be spared thanks to the city's complex system of flood walls, canals, dikes and underground tunnels that help divert vast pools of runoff south into the Gulf of Thailand.

Outside the capital, thousands of people remain displaced and hungry residents were struggling to survive in half-submerged towns. The military has been mobilized to help deliver relief supplies to stranded residents.

ASIAN BRIEFS

Toddler hit-and-run sparks outrage in China

BEIJING (AP)—A video showing a toddler being struck twice by vans and then ignored by passers-by is sparking outrage in China and prompting soul-searching over why people didn't help the child. The 2-year-old girl, identified as Wang Yue, is in a coma in critical condition in the Guangzhou Military District General Hospital following Thursday's accident, state media reported Tuesday. The Guangzhou Daily quoted the hospital's head of neurosurgery as saying the girl is likely to remain in a vegetative state if she survives. A closed-circuit television video obtained by state media shows the toddler wandering along a narrow market street in the city of Foshan when she is struck by a van. As several people walk or cycle by, the child lies in a pool of blood and is then hit by another van. All told local media count 18 people passing by before a trash collector finally picks up the child and gives her to a woman identified as her mother.

Strong earthquake strikes off Papua New Guinea

SYDNEY (AP)—A strong earthquake has struck off the coast of the South Pacific island nation of Papua New Guinea. There are no immediate reports of damage or injuries and no tsunami alert has been issued. The U.S. Geological Survey says the magnitude-6.3 quake struck Tuesday about 100 miles (160 kilometers) east of the town of Kandrian on the island of New Britain. The quake struck at a depth of 6 miles (9 kilometers). The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center did not issue a tsunami alert.

Hong Kong airport worker guilty in disguise ruse

HONG KONG (AP)—A Hong Kong airport worker has been convicted of people smuggling for his part in helping a young Chinese asylum seeker board a flight to Canada disguised as an elderly Caucasian man. The unidentified Chinese national boarded a flight from Hong Kong to Vancouver last October wearing a detailed silicone mask, then removed the disguise in a washroom during the flight. The Hong Kong district court found Monday that airport ground services worker Chau Pak-kin was guilty of taking part in a conspiracy to smuggle people with false passports and boarding passes. Chau will be sentenced at a later date.

World

Ahmadinejad denies Iran plot against Saudi envoy

TEHRAN, Iran (AP)—Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad on Monday denied allegations that Iranian agents were involved in a plot to assassinate the Saudi ambassador to Washington, claiming the U.S. pointed its finger at Tehran to divert attention from its economic problems.

Ahmadinejad also said the United States was accusing Iran of involvement in a "terror plot" to strengthen international sanctions against the Islamic Republic. He said Iran will not investigate the allegations.

Earlier Monday, Iran's foreign minister offered to look into the alleged conspiracy against the Saudi envoy, if the U.S. provides enough information.

The statement by Ali Akbar Salehi was the first indication that Iran might cooperate with the investigation, though other officials maintained a steady stream of ridicule and rejection of the charges.

"What would Iranian people gain from going inside the U.S. and killing an ambassador of a friendly country?" Ahmadinejad said in an interview with Al-Jazeera satellite TV channel on Monday. "Terror is only deployed by uncivilized nations," he added.

Two men, including a member of the Iranian special foreign actions unit known as the Quds Force, have been charged in New York federal court with conspiring to kill the Saudi diplomat, Adel al-Jubeir.

The alleged plot raised tensions between Mideast's Sunni power, Saudi Arabia, and Iran, the Shiite powerhouse.

In Switzerland, Iran's parliament speaker said American officials are playing a child's game and have insulted his nation with the accusations.

"The issue and the plot is so naive that it doesn't need any mediation at all," said the speaker, Ali Larijani.

Manssor Arbabsiar, a 56-year-old U.S. citizen who also holds an Iranian passport, was charged in a New York federal court along with Gholam Shakuri, whom U.S. authorities said was a Quds Force member, with conspiring to kill the Saudi diplomat, Adel Al-Jubeir.

On Sunday, Iran's supreme leader warned the United States that any measures taken against Tehran over the alleged plot would elicit a "resolute" response.

"If U.S. officials have some delusions, (they must) know that any unsuitable act, whether political or security, will meet a resolute response from the Iranian nation," state TV quoted Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei as saying.

Iran also demanded that a diplomat be allowed to visit one of the men in prison.

President Barack Obama pledged Tehran would be held accountable for "a pattern of reckless behavior by the Iranian government."

U.S. officials have said no one was in immediate danger during the alleged assassination plot.

Libyan forces seize most of Bani Walid

TRIPOLI, Libya (AP)—Libyan revolutionary forces have captured almost all of Bani Walid, one of Moammar Gadhafi's last remaining strongholds, but still face pockets of resistance as they try to end a weeks-long standoff, officials said Monday.

Fierce resistance in Bani Walid and Gadhafi's hometown of Sirte has prevented Libya's new leaders from declaring full victory and setting a timeline for elections. It has been more than two months since the former rebels gained control of the rest of the oil-rich North African nation.

In a step toward normalcy, the transitional leadership council confirmed it has signed an agreement with NATO that partially lifts the no-fly zone imposed in March over the country, allowing resumption of some flights without seeking NATO approval. The embargo was imposed as part of the U.N. Security Council resolution that authorized airstrikes to protect civilians from Gadhafi's regime.

Anwar Elfeitori, the minister of transportation and communications, said the agreement signed Thursday in Malta will make it easier to transport wounded fighters from the front lines for treatment.

"The partial lifting of the air embargo will help with the transportation of the casualties, which is the No. 1 priority at this time, as well as facilitate the movement of people between Libya and the rest of the world," Elfeitori told The Associated Press in an interview.

He said the agreement only applies to specific routes and altitudes for humanitarian flights but is designed so it can be amended to include other areas as security conditions allow.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Mark Toner said the revolutionary council fighters are making progress. He called on pro-Gadhafi forces "to lay down their weapons and join the new Libya."

NATO officials have expressed surprise at the persistence of Gadhafi's supporters. Libyans believe the heavy resistance signals some of Gadhafi's sons and other high-level regime figures are hiding in the areas.

WORLD BRIEFS

Prisoner swap between Israel, Hamas moves ahead

JERUSALEM (AP)—The elaborate machinery of a prisoner swap deal between two bitter enemies swung into motion Monday, as hundreds of Palestinians and one Israeli soldier prepared to return home in one of the most dramatic recent developments in the otherwise deadlocked Israel-Palestinian conflict. The Israel-Hamas deal, to take place Tuesday morning, is going ahead despite criticism and court appeals in Israel against the release of 1,027 Palestinians for a single captured Armored Corps sergeant, Gilad Schalit, held by militants in Gaza since 2006. The exchange, negotiated through mediators because Israel and Hamas will not talk directly to each other, involves a delicate series of staged releases, each one triggering the next.

Bomb near Baghdad liquor store kills 7 people

BAGHDAD (AP)—A bomb blast near a Baghdad liquor store Monday evening killed seven people and injured another 18, Iraqi medical and police officials said. Three of the dead and five of the injured were police officers, the officials said. The information came from police in eastern Baghdad and the hospital where the dead and injured were taken. It was not immediately clear whether the liquor store was the target or the police officers. Police and Iraqi security officials are often targeted by Sunni militants trying to undermine the country's fragile security. Conservative Shiite militant groups have sometimes targeted liquor stores and cafes.

Campus Life

Educating Gabriel, 13, an off-the-charts prodigy

By KATHERINE LONG
THE SEATTLE TIMES

SEATTLE—When he was 8 years old, Gabriel See got a score on the math part of the SAT that would be the envy of most high-school seniors.

When he was 9, he galloped through high-school Advanced Placement math and science classes—calculus, statistics, physics, chemistry and biology—scoring a perfect 5 in each subject.

When he was 10, he worked on T-cell receptor research at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center.

When he was 11, he won a silver medal at a competition on synthetic biology for undergraduate college students at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Last month, at 13, Gabriel was named one of the top 10 high-school inventors in the country by *Popular Science* magazine, even though, technically, he's attending a junior-high school.

Ernest Henley, physics professor, dean emeritus at the University of Washington and a member of the National Academy of Sciences, has never met a student quite like him. "Frankly, I have never seen a boy of his age who displays as much intelligence and aptitude for learning," Henley said. "He is one of a kind."

That kind of off-the-charts intelligence comes with a conundrum, though: Because he's only 13, Gabriel is not emotionally ready to handle programs designed for older students. His intellectual abilities raise the question: How do you map out an education for a boy at the extreme end of the gifted population?

"Honestly, I don't know what's next for Gabriel," said Dan Phelan, who oversees accelerated programs for the Lake Washington School District. "All of us are puzzling a bit right now …He's doing work that's way beyond what I can understand. But socially, he's not ready to be set loose in the adult world."

Gabriel's father, Jason See, said: "Trying to find the right program for him is very difficult. There is no program that caters to his level. He is out of the norm for the supergifted."

His parents, Jason and Valerie, want him to have a normal teenage upbringing, so for half the day Gabriel attends a small, arts-oriented junior-high school in the Lake Washington School District called Renaissance School of Art and Reasoning, where he takes dance, drama and language arts.

He has taken an upper-level math class at the University of Washington each quarter since 2010; this quarter, it's applied linear algebra. He's on the YMCA Sammamish, Wash., Swim Team, takes music classes and plays Ultimate Frisbee on Fridays.

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Gabriel See, 13, was named one of the top 10 high-school inventors in the country by Popular Science magazine, even though, technically, he's attending junior high. He also takes courses at Eastlake High School and the University of Washington in Seattle, Washington.

Quiet and reserved, Gabriel is most comfortable discussing advanced mathematics or molecular biology. He's not good with questions about typical teenage pursuits, but he will explain to you the concepts he is studying in applied linear algebra this fall, if you are smart enough to understand him.

When he's not in class, he's working through a stack of books at home; he keeps a list of everything he has read. He's absorbed 52 textbooks on science and math: read the physics lectures of Richard Feynman, and books on robot programming, systems biology, immunobiology, fractals, Latin (a new passion), music theory and the work of Fibonacci, Rene Descartes, Albert Einstein and Stephen Hawking, among others.

"Keeping him engaged is critical, and so far, reasonably successful," said William Monahan, Gabriel's Advanced Placement (AP) biology teacher at Eastlake High.

In elementary school, Gabriel was placed in the district's program for highly capable students, but it wasn't until third grade that the adults around him started to realize the depths of his intellectual abilities.

At age 8, he began teaching himself calculus and physics from sources he found on the Internet. Curious to know how much he was learning, his parents signed him up for the SAT; he scored a 720 out of 800 on the math portion, placing him in the 95th percentile for college-bound high-school students.

That score plus Gabriel's math notations—he had written out pages and pages of solutions to math and physics problems—sent the Sees to Elizabeth Sirjani, who was then the math chair at Eastlake. She confirmed that Gabriel had taught himself AP-level math and physics work on his own.

"We started scrambling then," said Phelan, of the Lake Washington district's accelerated program.

His teachers say Gabriel is capable of digesting and storing information in great gulps, and then making connections with other things he had already learned.

"Everything I threw at him, he just got," said Melissa Nivala, who was a graduate student in the applied math department at the University of Washington in 2007 when she began tutoring Gabriel in graduate-level math. "And he loved it. We would work until I was mentally exhausted. I would tell him, 'OK, we need to stop, because I'm tired of thinking.'"

Nivala would give Gabriel a textbook on a subject—say, chaos theory—and Gabriel would read the book in a few days. He could then answer specific questions and open-ended questions on the subject. He even remembered the exact page number in the book where certain formulas first appeared, Nivala said, hinting at a photographic-like memory.

For any parent whose child has unusual intellectual gifts, finding the right program is a challenge; for Gabriel's parents, it's been that process on steroids. In 2008, Jason See found a way for Gabriel to do research at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center.

And in 2009, he persuaded professors in the University of Washington's Department of Bioengineering to let Gabriel join a team that was assembling an entry for MIT's International Genetically Engineered Machine (iGEM) competition for undergraduates.

Jason See keeps a thick folder, filled with letters of recommendation from professors, test scores and transcripts, to help reinforce the somewhat hard-to-fathom story of his son's accomplishments.

"Gabriel's dad is a pretty good advocate for him," Phelan said.

The iGEM competition has been Gabriel's most public success, and it's what caught the eye of Popular Science's editors.

"We originally had some other undergraduates interested in the project," said postdoctoral student Sean Sleight. "He (Gabriel) pretty much intimidated them, because he was so brilliant. We kind of joke that he did more in one summer than a team of undergraduates."

GCA OCTOBER FORENSIC WINNERS

Congratulations to all Grace Christian Academy October Forensic winners! With great dedication and hard work, these students have achieved beyond what is expected, placing high ranks in the October PGFC, NJFL, and NFL competitions. We would like to thank all the parents, volunteer judges, and coaches for their support and all the help they have given. GCA family would like to especially thank the GCA competitors for doing the best they can in accomplishing their goals. Below is the list of all the winners for all divisions.

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Grace Christian Academy's Primary Grades Forensic Conference winners have their picture taken inside the GCA campus.

PGFC (Primary Grades Forensic Conference) (K, 5TH GRADE)
PGFC Coordinator: Mrs. Esther Manzano

K, 2 Division
Impromptu Speaking A
Matthew Gabriel Ernest, 1st Place
Amaris Birmingham, 3rd Place
Clerisse Dacumos, 4th Place
Deancey Chua, 5th Place

Readers Forum A
Brandie Matsumoto, 1st Place
Louis Henley, 2nd Place

Readers Forum Masters A
Clerisse Dacumos, 5th Place

Readers Forum Masters B
Richard Steele, 2nd Place
Amaris Birmingham, 4th Place

3, 5 Division
Choral Speaking A
Justin Del Rosario, 2nd Place
Anna Nunez, 2nd Place
Jaiden Sabugo, 2nd Place
Joshua Pajarillaga, 2nd Place
Jesa May Santos, 2nd Place

Duo Interpretation B
Esther Kim, 2nd Place
Calia Lieto, 2nd Place

Dramatic Interpretation A
Esther Kim, 3rd Place

Humorous Interpretation A
Clark Birmingham, 5th Place

Humorous Interpretation B
Robert Hanrey Schorr, 2nd Place

Readers Forum Masters A
Riley Anne Buenaventura, 3rd Place

Readers Forum Masters B
Matt Jason Moran, 3rd Place
Seung Jae Kim, 4th Place

Readers Forum C
Jesa May Santos, 4th Place

Impromptu Speaking A
Jim Michael Ham, 1st Place
Tae Yong Kim, 2nd Place
Clark Birmingham, 4th Place
Riley Anne Buenaventura, 5th Place

Impromptu Speaking B
Joshua Pajarillaga, 2nd Place

NJFL (NATIONAL JUNIOR FORENSIC LEAGUE) (6TH, 8TH GRADE)
NJFL Coordinator, Ms. Ami Joy Danganan

Poetry Reading Masters A
Angela Felici Cruz, 1st Place
Rebekah Kim, 2nd Place
Jasmine Gortayo, 5th Place

Poetry Reading Masters B
Yu Jin Lee, 2nd Place
Cyril Salcedo, 5th Place

Poetry Reading B
Franchesca Joyce Dalusung, 3rd Place

Poetry Reading C
Jonathan Libut, 1st Place
Mycah Yobech, 4th Place

Prose Reading Masters A
Allexa Go, 5th Place

Prose Reading Masters B
Yu Jin Lee, 2nd Place

Prose Reading A
Dianne Arnold, 1st Place

Prose Reading B
Mycah Yobech, 2nd Place

Story Telling
Yu Jin Lee, 1st Place

Duo Interpretation A
Danica Canedo, 1st Place
Macy Sarmiento, 1st Place

Duo Interpretation B
Cyril Salcedo, 3rd Place
Robert Marmito, 3rd Place

Impromptu Speech A
Francis Joseph Dalusung, 2nd Place

Impromptu Speech B
Dianne Arnold, 4th Place
Noah Camacho, 5th Place

NFL (NATIONAL FORENSIC LEAGUE) (9TH, 12TH GRADE)
NFL Coordinator: Mr. Josh Zwicker

Dramatic Interpretation A
Jimaela Ham, 1st Place
Jenica Smithee, 2nd Place

Dramatic Interpretation A
Dong Ha Lee, 3rd Place
Trixie Achas, 5th Place

Original Oratory A
Angela Mamaril, 4th Place

Poetry Reading Masters A
Crysta Cristobal, 4th Place

Poetry Reading Masters B
Glen Florendo, 4th Place

Poetry Reading A
Dong Ha Lee, 1st Place
Trixie Achas, 2nd Place

Prose Reading Masters A
Crysta Cristobal, 2nd Place

Prose Reading Masters B
Jimaela Ham, 4th Place

Prose Reading A
Dong Ha Lee, 1st Place

U.S. Extemporaneous Speech
Yong Koo Kim, 4th Place

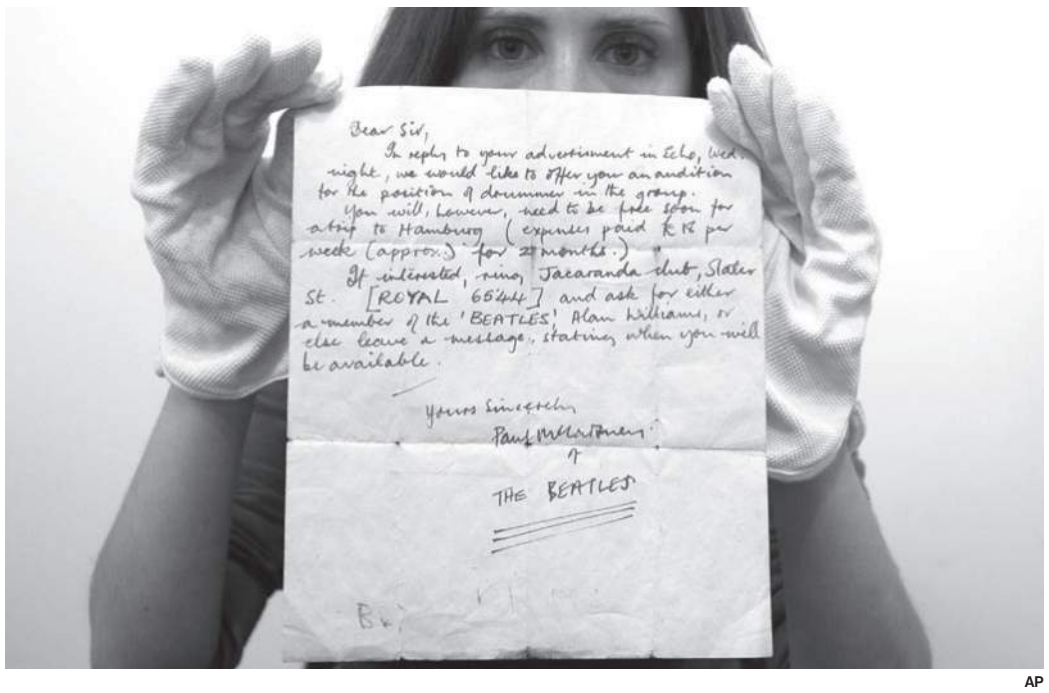
Impromptu Speech A
Angela Mamaril, 1st Place

Impromptu Speech B
Terence Ho, 2nd Place

Duo Interpretation A
Terence Ho, 1st Place
Jenica Smithee, 1st Place

Life & Style

Early Paul McCartney letter offers Brit drummer a tryout


Dear Sir,
In reply to your advertisement in Echo, Wednesday night, we would like to offer you an audition for the position of drummer in the group.
You will, however, need to be free soon for a trip to Hamburg (expenses paid £15 per week (approx.) for 12 months.)
If interested, ring Jacaranda club, Slater St. [ROYAL 6544] and ask for either a member of the 'BEATLES' Alan Williams, or else leave a message, stating when you will be available.
Yours Sincerely,
Paul McCartney
THE BEATLES

AP

A Christie's employee displays a letter inviting an unknown drummer to audition for The Beatles, at their auction house in London, Monday, Oct. 17, 2011.

LONDON (AP)—Somewhere, an aging drummer (identity unknown) is probably still kicking himself.

A newly discovered letter found folded in a book at a Liverpool yard sale has shed new light on the Beatles' early days, revealing that Paul McCartney offered an audition to a mystery drummer in 1960, just a few days before the band left for a formative two-month gig in Hamburg, Germany.

The letter, to be auctioned next month by Christie's, has surprised Beatles scholars. It was written two years before the band bounced drummer Pete Best in favor of Ringo Starr, who arrived just in time to help the Beatles' conquer first England and then the world, earning untold millions along the way.

The Aug. 12, 1960 letter handwritten by McCartney offers an audition to someone who had advertised their availability in the Liverpool Echo newspaper four days earlier. The unsigned ad said simply: "Drummer-Young-Free."

McCartney, who was then playing guitar in the band while the late Stuart Sutcliffe handled bass guitar, offered the drummer an audition with the caveat that if he joins the band he must be ready to travel almost immediately to Hamburg. The Beatles honed their musical chops playing at low-rent clubs in the German's city's famed red-light district.

"Expenses paid 18 pounds per week (approx) for two months," McCartney writes. "If interested ring Jacaranda club."

The letter is signed, "Yours sincerely, Paul McCartney of the BEATLES."

It is not known if the drummer came for an audition, and failed to impress McCartney and the others, or if he simply didn't follow up. McCartney addressed the letter "Dear Sir," assuming the drummer was a young man, as there were very few female drummers on the Liverpool rock scene at the time.

Bruce Spizer, author of "Beatles For Sale" and other books about the band, said the Beatles were desperately looking for a drummer to take to Hamburg and eventually chose Best, in part because Best "had a drum kit" and because his mother ran a nightclub where the group had played.

"This shows that Pete wasn't the only person they were interested in," Spizer said. "They needed a drummer and Pete was convenient. It makes sense that they would have responded to some drummer in Liverpool looking for work. My speculation is that two months in Hamburg intimidated him, maybe he didn't want to go and never replied. If he had responded, and if he was good, it might have changed everything."

Museum unconvinced by new Van Gogh death theory

AMSTERDAM (AP)—Two American authors believe Vincent van Gogh was fatally shot by two teenagers and did not die from self-inflicted wounds, but the new theory won a skeptical reception Monday from experts at the museum dedicated to the 19th century Dutch master.

A book by Pulitzer prize-winning authors Steven Naifeh and Gregory White Smith, "Van Gogh, The Life," concludes that Van Gogh, who suffered chronic depression, claimed on his deathbed to have shot himself to protect the boys.

"Covering up his own murder," said Naifeh in an interview broadcast Sunday on the U.S. network CBS's "60 Minutes."

Leo Jansen, curator of the Van Gogh Museum and editor of the artist's letters, said the biography is a "great book," but experts have doubts about the authors' theory of his death in 1890.

"We cannot yet agree with their conclusions because we do not think there is enough evidence yet," Jansen told The Associated Press.

At the same time, there has never been any independent evidence to support Van Gogh's dying confession that he had shot himself.

"There's no proof. We just know what he said, and that's what people always went by," Jansen said.

Severely wounded in the chest, Van Gogh dragged himself to the rooming house in Auvers-sur-Oise, France, where he was staying. He died about 30 hours later after telling his brother Theo, several doctors and the police that he had shot himself while painting in a wheat field. The gun was never found.

Naifeh and Smith revived unanswered questions that have clouded Van Gogh's own story: How did the painter, who had a widely known history of mental illness, obtain a revolver, and what happened to it? Why would he shoot himself at such an odd angle and not put the muzzle next to his heart? How did he manage with his wound to make the difficult journey more than one mile (2 kilometers) through the fields back to town? And what happened to his painting gear?

The authors say an art historian who visited Auvers in the 1930s heard rumors from citizens who were alive in 1890 that Van Gogh had been shot accidentally by two boys.

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Requires: AS degree in Aviation Maintenance Engineering with 10 years of progressive experience as a licensed A&P (airframe & power plant) Technician. Oversees the activities of Aircraft Maintenance Technicians; supervises all aircraft repair and services; supervises required interior and exterior cleaning of aircraft. Must hold current U.S. FAA A&P License and certified in various aircraft-types maintenance. Must be knowledgeable with FAA, ICAO, IATA, local airport and airline regulations.

Flight Operations and Ramp Service Manager
Requires: AA/AS degree with 8 years of progressive airline ramp operations and flight dispatch experience, with 3 of the 8 in supervisory capacity. Directs and coordinates activities of the ramp and flight dispatch operations in accordance with the airline policy and FAA, TSA, local airport regulation and established company policies and procedures. Must be knowledgeable with FAA, local airport and airline regulations and be US FAA licensed as an Aircraft Dispatcher.

Aircraft Service Agent
Requires: High School Diploma, GED or equivalent with 2 years experience in aircraft exterior and interior cleaning. Performs interior cleaning of various aircraft to include cabins, lavatories and galleys. Knowledgeable in use of different kinds of cleaning equipment, tools and materials. Must be able to obtain CNMI driver license.

Lead Aircraft Service Agent
Requires: High School Diploma, GED or equivalent with 4 years experience in aircraft exterior and interior cleaning. Heads shift or work project, as directed by the manager, performing interior cleaning of various aircraft to include cabins, lavatories and galleys. Knowledgeable in use of different kinds of cleaning equipment, tools and materials. Must be able to obtain CNMI driver license.

Ramp Agent
Requires: High School Diploma, GED or equivalent with 2 years experience in ramp cargo loading and unloading operations. Operates equipment for loading and off-loading baggage/cargo to and from the aircraft for both commercial and freight aircraft. Ability to learn how to operate specialized equipment for aircraft servicing and ramp operations. Must be able to lift 70 pounds. Must be able to obtain CNMI driver license.

Lead Ramp Agent (2)
Requires: High School Diploma, GED or equivalent with 4 years experience in ramp cargo loading and unloading operations. Heads shift or work project, as directed by the supervisor, operating equipment for loading and off-loading baggage/cargo to and from the aircraft for both commercial and freight aircraft. Ability to teach operation of specialized equipment for aircraft servicing and ramp operations. Must be able to lift 70 pounds. Must be able to obtain CNMI driver license.

Aircraft Maintenance Technician (6)
Requires: Graduate of Aircraft Maintenance Engineering and/or Aeronautical Engineering program with 2 years experience in airframe and power plant maintenance on both narrow and wide-body aircraft. Performs various repairs on aircraft airframe and power plants and other required services to ensure airworthiness. Must be skilled in use of specialized aircraft testing equipment and hold current U.S. FAA A&P License or an equivalent foreign license.

Lead Aircraft Maintenance Technician
Requires: AS Degree in Aircraft Maintenance Engineering and/or Aeronautical Engineering with 4 years experience in airframe and power plant maintenance on both narrow and wide-body aircraft. Heads shift or work project, as directed by the manager, performing various repairs on aircraft airframe and power plants and other required services to ensure airworthiness. Must be skilled in use of specialized aircraft testing equipment and hold current U.S. FAA A&P License or an equivalent foreign license.

Cargo Agent
Requires: High School Diploma, GED or equivalent with 2 years experience as a cargo handler. Handles and accepts cargoes according to the IATA, FAA, TSA, local airport, airlines and company regulations. Prepares documents for out-going and transfer cargoes. Must be able to operate forklift and other cargo-handling equipment and be able to lift 70 pounds. Must be computer-literate and capable of learning the use of the CSP Cargo Trac System. Must be able to obtain CNMI driver license.

Lead Cargo Agent (2)
Requires: High School Diploma, GED or equivalent with 4 years experience as a cargo handler. Handles and accepts cargoes according to the IATA, FAA, TSA, local airport, airlines and company regulations. Heads shift or work project, as directed by the supervisor, preparing documents for out-going and transfer cargoes. Must be able to operate forklift and other cargo-handling equipment and be able to lift 70 pounds. Must be proficient in use of CSP Cargo Trac System. Must be able to obtain CNMI driver license.

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Requires: Diploma from technical/vocational course on automotive gas/diesel engines with minimum of 4 years experience, 2 of the 4 years in a supervisory capacity, in electrical, electronic, pneumatic, hydraulic system and gas/diesel engine maintenance. Plans work and supervises GSE mechanics in performing mechanical and electrical repairs, welding repairs, corrosion treatment and painting on all GSE equipment and vehicles. Must be able to obtain CNMI driver license.

Passenger Service Agent (Chinese Translator)
Requires: High School Diploma, GED or equivalent with 4 years experience in passenger or customer service. Assists passengers by answering inquiries regarding flight information/booking/reservations, checking-in out-bound passengers and luggage and assisting them in boarding flights, assisting in-bound passengers through immigration and customs. Must be computer-literate with excellent oral and written communication skills in both English and Chinese. Must be able to lift 70 pounds.

Lead Passenger Service Agent (3)
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Big man abused by girlfriend fights to turn the other cheek

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN
UNIVERSAL PRESS SYNDICATE

Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: I have been dating "Carmen" for a few years, but in the last year she has started becoming violent when we are having an argument. I think this is domestic abuse, but she claims it isn't because I'm a man.

I'm not someone who can take abuse without repercussions. I'm like a mirror. If someone brings violence into my life, I reflect it back on them. So far, I have restrained my instincts—but eventually I know Carmen will cross the line and I'm going to snap. I have the potential to hurt her badly.

I have tried everything to make Carmen understand how I feel, but she continues to insist it doesn't matter because I'm so much bigger and stronger than she is. When she hits me, it doesn't hurt physically, but the anger I feel is indescribable. I'm at the end of my rope and considering breaking up with her before I hurt her.

I don't want to end the relationship, but I think it's the only way to make her see things from my perspective. Or should I call the cops the next time she hits me?

BRUISED AND ABUSED BOYFRIEND

DEAR BRUISED AND ABUSED: You may not want to, but it's time to end the relationship before something happens you both regret. Your relationship with Carmen isn't a healthy one. You will land in jail if you respond the way it appears she wants you to.

Please think ahead—if Carmen resorts to violence when she becomes upset with you, then she very likely will with any children you would have together. She may think her abusive behavior is normal because this was the environment in which she was raised. But we both know it's not—it's a huge red flag. Run!

DEAR ABBY: I have been a holistic health-care and healing practitioner for 10 years. I love my work and being in a helping profession. I'm the one who is always there for everyone who needs help. A good portion of my work is as a counselor, teacher and shoulder to cry on.

My problem? I'm lonely. I have multiple health issues and struggle with money. I need someone to talk with about me and how I'm feeling. Whenever I find a counselor, member of the clergy, teacher, etc., I end up BEING the counselor, teacher, listener, whatever.

Living in a small town, it's almost impossible to find anyone who doesn't know me or my family. I went to a minister and ended up taking him to an AA meeting. I went to a counselor at a nearby university; she began asking me for advice about her health. I'm hesitant to try to find someone online.

I'm not looking for a lover or an "adventure"—just someone to talk with. My batteries are constantly being drained and opportunities to recharge are few and far between. I'm not asking for much, just someone to be there for me the way I am for many others.

I tried talking with my wife about this, but she's so emotionally insecure that even thinking I want someone else to talk with upsets her. Please help me.

LONELY IN A CROWD

DEAR LONELY: It's not uncommon for therapists to suffer the kind of burnout you have described. They often deal with it by trading services with another therapist because talking about feelings—as you well know—can often relieve them. What you should do is contact the association of holistic and/or integrative medical professionals in your state and inquire about this kind of opportunity for you.

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Quinto feels grateful since coming out

AP

From left, actors Kevin Spacey, Penn Badgley, Zachary Quinto, Simon Baker, Paul Bettany and Stanley Tucci attend the premiere of "Margin Call" on Monday, Oct. 17, 2011, in New York.

NEW YORK (AP)—Actor Zachary Quinto says he feels a range of emotions after coming out in a recent New York magazine interview but most of all he's grateful for the kindness he's received since.

"I feel so incredibly grateful to all of the people who've reached out to me directly or indirectly or just in spirit and I feel really, really like my entire future is laid out in a different way and it's thrilling and scary and overwhelming," said Quinto at the premiere of his film "Margin Call" Monday night in New York.

The 34-year-old looks forward to the day when saying you're gay "won't be hard" and won't matter. "There've been people on this path who were much bigger trailblazers than me who did this at a time when it was even harder...and if me standing up and making some kind of acknowledgement and declaration helps that then I can't ask for anything more out of my life."

Quinto is best known for playing Spock in the latest "Star Trek" movie and for the TV show "Heroes." He not only acts in "Margin Call" but also serves as an executive producer.

The film focuses on a group of bank employees during a 24-hour period as the 2008 financial crisis is about to hit. It stars a roster of celebrities including Kevin Spacey, Demi Moore, Simon Baker and Penn Badgley.

"Margin Call" opens October 21.

Selena Gomez granted temporary restraining order

BURBANK, Calif. (AP)—A judge has granted Selena Gomez a temporary restraining order from a man with a history of mental illness who police say threatened the singer-actress.

Court records show the "Wizards of Waverly Place" star was granted the order Thursday in Burbank, which is north of downtown Los Angeles. Thomas Brodnicki is required to stay 100 yards away from Gomez and her workplace until a Nov. 4 hearing, when the order may be extended for three years.

Gomez wrote in a sworn declaration that she is in "extreme fear" of Brodnicki.

The filings, first reported Monday by celebrity website TMZ, state police were notified by mental health workers that the 46-year-old had threatened to harm or kill the actress while on a psychiatric hold.

Attempts to reach Brodnicki were unsuccessful.

A viewer uprising for zombie drama 'Walking Dead'

NEW YORK (AP)—AMC network says "The Walking Dead" began its second season with a vengeance, delivering 7.3 million viewers for Sunday's premiere telecast.

AMC reported Monday that the zombie drama went on to boost its total viewership to 11 million viewers for the night's three airings of the episode.

This eclipsed the year-ago audience for the series, which emerged as a surprise hit by averaging 5.2 million viewers weekly during that first season.

Based on the popular comic book of the same name, "The Walking Dead" depicts the aftermath of a zombie apocalypse confronted by a group of survivors outside Atlanta. Its cast includes Andrew Lincoln, Jon Bernthal and Sarah Wayne Callies.

Actress Shannen Doherty marries for 3rd time

NEW YORK (AP)—Shannen Doherty has married for the third time.

Doherty's publicist confirms the actress married wedding photographer Kurt Iswarienko on Saturday in Malibu, Calif.

The 40-year-old actress is most famous for her performance as Brenda Walsh on "Beverly Hills 90210." She reprised the role in the CW "90210" spinoff.

She was previously briefly married to actor Ashley Hamilton in 1993 and Rick Saloman in 2002. Saloman is known for making a sex videotape with then-girlfriend Paris Hilton that surfaced in 2003.

Iswarienko is a Los Angeles-based photographer who specializes in celebrity portraits.

ENTERTAINMENT TIDBITS

Bill Clinton, celebrities star in new Web video

NEW YORK (AP)—Bill Clinton is happy to have celebrities call attention to his Clinton Foundation, but he's not above spoofing them, either. In a new Web video for the 10th anniversary of the Clinton Foundation, a coterie of stars performs as the foundation's airheaded "Celebrity Division." Ben Stiller leads an unproductive fundraising brainstorming session with Matt Damon, Sean Penn, Kristen Wiig, Jack Black, Ted Danson and Mary Steenburgen. The former president makes a cameo. The video was produced by Funny Or Die and will be posted on the site early Tuesday. The William J. Clinton Foundation held a star-studded anniversary concert over the weekend in Los Angeles. The foundation has sought to improve global health, strengthen economies worldwide, promote healthier childhoods and protect the environment.

400 at private Elizabeth Taylor memorial service

BURBANK, Calif. (AP)—Colin Farrell, Michael Caine and Elton John joined family and friends of Elizabeth Taylor during a private memorial service for the Oscar-winning star. Son Michael Wilding told the 400 people gathered Sunday in a theater at the Warner Bros. studio lot in Burbank that it was especially meaningful to have so many friends on hand to celebrate his mother's spirit. The Academy Award-winning star of "Butterfield 8" and "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" was 79 when she died on March 23 of congestive heart failure in Los Angeles. Spokeswoman Sally Morrison says Farrell hosted a service, which featured memories of the violet-eyed beauty. "Virginia Woolf" director Mike Nichols put together a touching video message, grandson Rhys Tivey played "Amazing Grace" on the trumpet and John performed "Blue Eyes."

Giuliana Rancic says she has breast cancer

NEW YORK (AP)—"E! News" co-host Giuliana Rancic says she has early stages of breast cancer. The 37-year-old made the announcement Monday on NBC's "Today" show. Rancic says the cancer was discovered during a mammogram while she was undergoing a third round of in-vitro fertilization in an effort to get pregnant. Rancic says she will have surgery this week, followed by six and one-half weeks of radiation therapy. She is married to Bill Rancic, winner of the first season of "The Apprentice." Rancic says she still wants to get pregnant because "this baby will have saved my life."

'Sesame Street' on YouTube resumes after hacking

NEW YORK (AP)—The YouTube channel for "Sesame Street" is back online after hackers forced its shutdown for a day by loading X-rated material. "Sesame Street" executive producer Carol-Lynn Parente said Monday that YouTube had taken the channel down Sunday after noticing the racy material. The channel usually carries new and vintage clips from the popular preschool program. Parente says it appears that the X-rated videos were online for less than an hour and that "Sesame Street" had received no viewer complaints. She says, "We have great hopes that it was found out" before young viewers could see the X-rated material. YouTube says it counsels clients to adopt tougher security to avoid hackers. The channel resumed at around midday Monday.

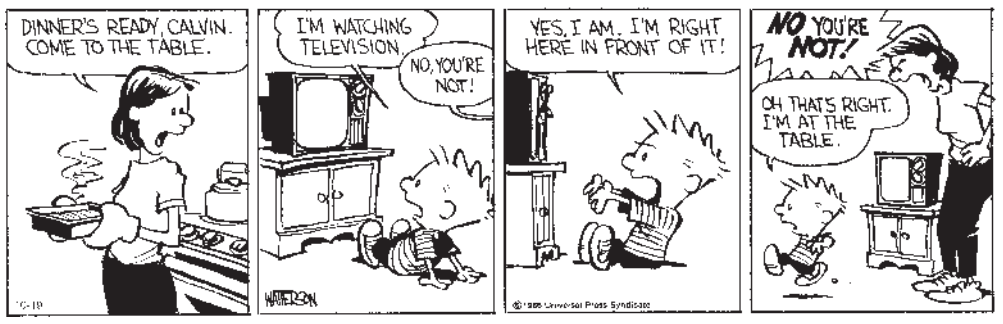
'Today' sends Matt Lauer on road again

NEW YORK (AP)—Matt Lauer is adding to his frequent-flier miles. NBC's "Today" show said Monday that it will revive its popular "Where in the World is Matt Lauer?" feature for a week starting Nov. 7. Lauer last hit the road in 2008. Lauer has shown up in Laos, on Mount Everest, in Peru, on an oil rig, in Australia, in Istanbul and by the pyramids in Egypt, among other locations. Viewers and co-workers aren't clued in until each morning's show. He's logged 248,166 miles in travel for the feature. NBC has scheduled it for a ratings "sweeps" month, as "Today" faces some energetic competition from ABC's "Good Morning America" this season.

Pastimes

Calvin and Hobbes

By Bill Waterson


DINNER'S READY, CALVIN. COME TO THE TABLE.
I'M WATCHING TELEVISION.
NO, YOU'RE NOT!
YES, I AM. I'M RIGHT HERE IN FRONT OF IT!
NO YOU'RE NOT!
OH THAT'S RIGHT. I'M AT THE TABLE.
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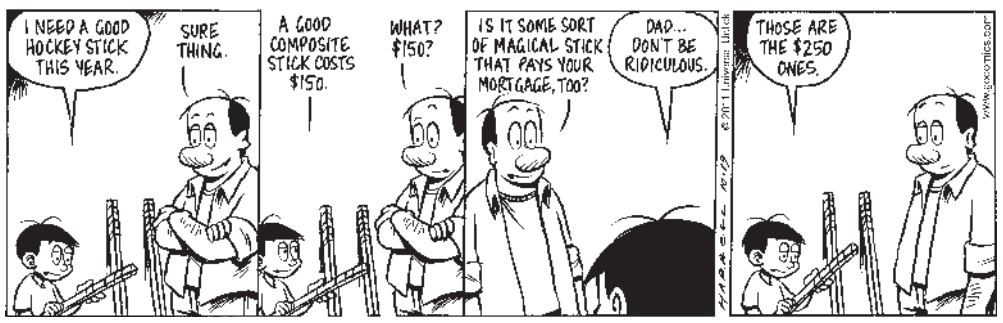
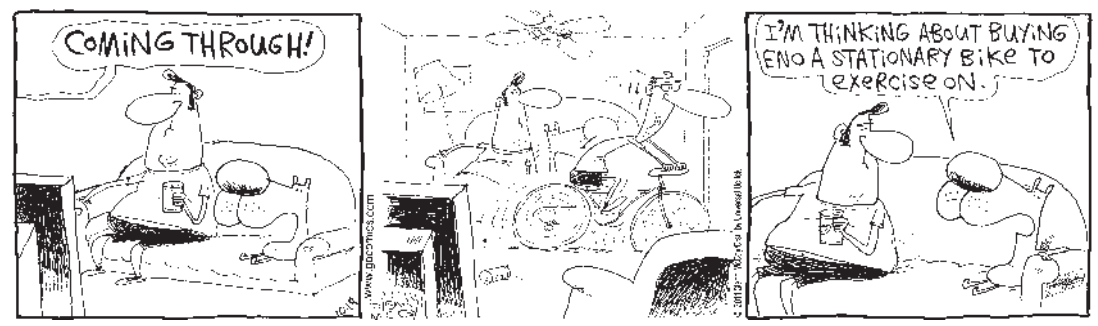

I NEED A GOOD HOCKEY STICK THIS YEAR.
SURE THING.
A GOOD COMPOSITE STICK COSTS $150.
WHAT? $150?
IS IT SOME SORT OF MAGICAL STICK THAT PAYS YOUR MORTGAGE, TOO?
DAD... DON'T BE RIDICULOUS.
THOSE ARE THE $250 ONES.

The Duplex

By Glenn McCoy



CROSSWORD

By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS

1 Aries
4 English channel?
7 Wash
8 Shroud of concealment
10 Resided
11 "Yay!"
13 2004 Green Day album
16 Lair
17 Expenses
18 Old French coin
19 Lion's crowning glory
20 Encounter
21 Gets better
23 Tote
25 Frog's cousin
26 "Desire Under the —"
27 Ph. bk. data
28 Khartoum's country
30 "Wham!"
33 Unimpeachable information
36 100 percent, as an effort
37 Dieter's lunch
38 Speaks unclearly
39 Pastoral piece
40 Pigs' home
41 Cleo's slayer

DOWN

1 "Nevermore" sayer
2 Assert
3 Doctor-related
4 Pulling no punches
5 Foe of Bullwinkle
6 Hallmark offering
7 Citrus fruit
8 Pursuit
9 Bygone German leader
10 Young fellow
12 Nonsense
14 Swindles
15 Boy king of Egypt
19 Frenzied
20 "— Doubtfire"
21 Uproar
22 Atelier supports
23 Dressed
24 Memory loss
25 Stick with a kick
26 Tends texts
28 Nose
29 There's much interest in it
30 Sea anemone, e.g.
31 October birthstone
32 Marry
34 Troubles
35 June honorees

Solution time: 21 mins.

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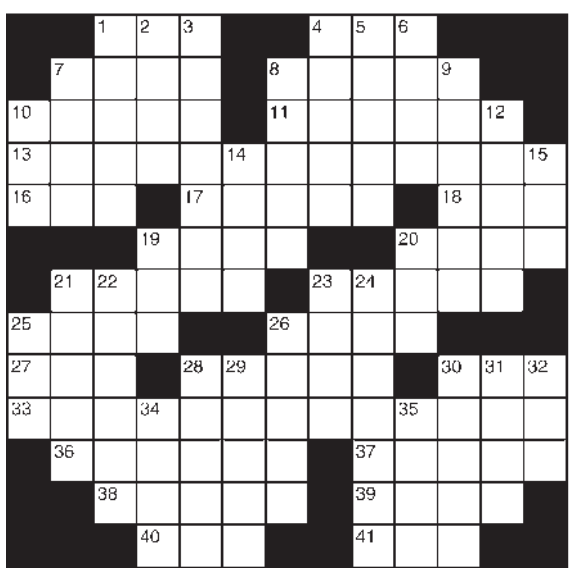
Yesterday's answer 10-19



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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Chris Kattan, 41; Jon Favreau, 45; Ty Pennington, 47; John Lithgow, 66.

Happy Birthday: Don't cave because you face obstacles. Take steps to overcome anything or anyone that stands in your way. Keep the communication and positive thoughts flowing and you will find a way to tap into a source that will help you make the right choices. Opportunity through personal or professional partnerships is apparent. Your numbers are 9, 12, 22, 27, 30, 38, 42.

ARIES (*March 21-April 19*): Listen, but don't feel obliged to follow someone else's path. Size up your situation and realize you are capable of more than what's expected of you. Dazzle everyone with a showing that will help you reclaim the confidence to march onward and upward. ✪✪

TAURUS (*April 20-May 20*): A personal situation will lead to a decision regarding where and how you live. A change of scenery will help you manage your finances better. Love and romance will be much more prevalent once you tame the financial stress in your life. ✪✪✪✪

GEMINI (*May 21-June 20*): Approach a challenge or project from a unique angle. Take the initiative to forge ahead without being coddled or making a fuss. Being specific and creative will be the surest way to get what you want. Stick to your agenda. ✪✪✪

CANCER (*June 21-July 22*): Get involved in new pastimes or interest groups and you will make new acquaintances that have a positive impact on your life. Don't allow a demanding person to stand in the way of your personal friendships. Help someone you want to get to know better. ✪✪✪

LEO (*July 23-Aug. 22*): Welcome change. Traveling or interacting with people from different backgrounds will teach you a valuable lesson. Don't give in to emotional blackmail or possessiveness that stops you from expanding your interests. Don't waste your time with anger. ✪✪✪

VIRGO (*Aug. 23-Sept. 22*): You will acquire knowledge if you observe others. An opportunity will arise through a friend, relative or neighbor that can lead to a better-paying job or training. You may want to make changes at home, but an impulsive move will backfire. ✪✪✪✪

LIBRA (*Sept. 23-Oct. 22*): Expand what you have to offer. Pick up additional skills or get in touch with people you feel can contribute to your advancement. Avoid taking on someone else's responsibilities when you need to focus on your own agenda. Secure your future. ✪✪

SCORPIO (*Oct. 23-Nov. 21*): Take a trip or plan something special that is conducive to romance. Someone will appreciate your gesture and help you out financially and personally in turn. Don't let an old lover cause problems. Leave the past where it belongs. ✪✪✪✪✪

SAGITTARIUS (*Nov. 22-Dec. 21*): Changes that will help you improve what you have to offer, as well as the way you live, are long overdue. Take criticism seriously. Revamp and revitalize what isn't working in your life by replacing it with something new. ✪✪✪

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CAPRICORN (*Dec. 22-Jan. 19*): You'll be torn between what's expected of you and what you want to do. A show of emotion will help you gain sympathy and the go-ahead to do as you please. A change at home or a shift in your status will bring about improvement. ✪✪✪

AQUARIUS (*Jan. 20-Feb. 18*): Size up your situation and the information you are given. Revisit some of your ideas regarding money, investments and legal concerns. Keep things simple and take moderate steps toward your goals. A slow build will bring solid results. ✪✪✪

PISCES (*Feb. 19-March 20*): Your future depends on how you treat others. Kindness and generosity will bring you the same in return. Love is highlighted, and making a promise will bring you closer to someone able to make a difference in your life and your future. ✪✪✪✪✪

Birthday Baby: You are insightful, opportunistic, sensitive, unpredictable and original.

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SUDOKU

Conceptis Sudoku *By Dave Green*

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Difficulty Level ★★★ 10/19

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Saturday.

Yesterday's SUDOKU Answer

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WONDERWORD®

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally, even backward. Find them and **CIRCLE THEIR LETTERS ONLY. DO NOT CIRCLE THE WORD.** The leftover letters spell the Wonderword.

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Yesterday's Answer: Lighthouse

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(13) Mason, (5) Carpenter, (1) Plumber. 5 years experience. Email resume to landmark@pticom.com

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Anaks Resort Development. Inc. is in need of : 1-Office Manager. Minimum of 5 years experience in Property Management. 1-Maintenance Mechanic, 1-Plumber, 1-Electrician, 1-Commercial Cleaner. Minimum of 5 years experience. Email resume to anaks.office@gmail.com

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EMPLOYMENT

United Front Co., Ltd. is looking for the ff: 1-Manager, 1-Scuba Diving Instructor, 1-Mechanic. Must be PADI Certified. Minimum of 5 years experience. Email resume to unifrocolt@yahoo.com

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Marianas Resort Development Co., Inc. is looking for1-Office Manager, Min. 5 years experience. E-mail resume to covalee12@yahoo.com

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U.S. Saipan-China Hotel Co., Ltd. is looking for 1-Operations Manager, 1-Tour Coordinator. Min. 2 years experience in hotel business. E-mail resume to usschotelcolt@yahoo.com

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Flower Corporation is looking for 1-Scuba Diving Operations Manager. 1-Scuba Diving Instructor. Must be PADI Certified Min. 5 years experience. E-mail resume to corporation.flower@gmail.com

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4JC Corporation needs:
(1) Accountant. Must have a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting. Min. 5 yrs work exp in Financial Statements preparation. Knowledge of PIII Acctg software Salary $5.05–13.50/hr.

(2) Press Operators –min. 5 years work experience in operating press machines can work under pressure to meet deadline

(1) Graphic Designer–min 5 years experience in Printing and Advertising Company; Knowledge in graphics and visual display software.
E-mail resume to immanuel.saipan@gmail.com

Dipoto Co. is looking for: 4 Photographers - 3 years experience: 1 Manager - 5 years experience. Email resume to dipoto@naver.com

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(1) Interior Designer, (2) Mason, (2) Carpenter, (2) Commercial Cleaner. Send resume to JAR Design Construction PMB 2025 Box 10001, Saipan MP 96950.

1- Housekeeping cleaner - $5.05/hr. 3 yrs experience required. Maintain private household/commercial establishment, prepare meals, bathe, dress, do laundry for a senior person with mild disability and other assigned duties. Flexible, careful to detail and has stress tolerance. Send resume to anlhrd@aol.com. A&L Corporation

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1-Certified General Appraiser. Must be a CNMI licensed general appraiser. 15 yrs experience. $1,500-$2,000.00 p/m. Marianas Professional Services, Inc. Email resume to lbtappraisal@pticom.com

1-Accountant. $1,000.00p/m. Bachelor Degree in Accounting. 5 yr experience. Must be flexible. Email resume to lbtappraisal@pticom.com

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1-General Maintenance, 1-Commercial Cleaner $5.05 p/h. No phone calls please. Interested applicants please mail to V&C Enterprises, Inc. PO Box 501595, Saipan, MP 96950.

1-Manager/Cashier. Salary $5.05 p/h, 1-General Maintenance. Salary $5.05 p/h, 3-Material Handler. Salary $5.05 p/h. If interested please call Julita C. Diaz dba Island Store at 433-3886.

CHOI CORPORATION
DBA: KOREA HARDWARE
JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

(1) Assistant Manager — **Salary: $5.05/Hour**
Can speak/write English, Chinese and Korean Language
College or High School Graduate w/ 10 years experience in a hardware store.
Must be computer literate and have a valid drivers license.
Must be able to provide customer service by greeting, assisting and responding to inquiries and complains.
Must be able to monitor sales activities to ensure that customers receive good service and quality goods.
With knowledge to purchase products local and overseas, Import/Export, Compute Cubic Feet, & OSHA regulations.

(1) Accountant — **Salary: $5.05/Hour**
Holders a degree of Bachelor of Science in Commerce Major in Accounting. 10 years experience in the field of accounting & in a hardware store. Proficient in MS Excel and MS Word and have a valid drivers license.
Must be knowledgeable in Account Payables/Receivables, Bank Reconciliation, Payroll, Wire Transfer, Withholding Tax, FICA Tax, BGR Tax, Excise Tax and any other taxes required in a company.
With knowledge to purchase products local and overseas, Import/Export, Compute Cubic Feet, & OSHA regulations.
Must be able to prepare Financial Statement Report.

(1) Electrician, Building — **Salary: $5.05/Hour**
College or High School Graduate w/ 10 years experience in a field of electricity. Must be computer literate.
Must be skilled in connect wires to circuit breakers, transformers, or other components.
Must be skilled in repair or replace wiring, equipment using hand tools and power tools.
Must be able to play lay-out and installation of electrical wiring, equipment based on job specifications and local codes.

(1) Material Coordinator — **Salary: $5.05/Hour**
Can speak/write English and Korean Language
College Graduate w/10 years experience. Must be computer literate and have a valid drivers license.
Must be able to coordinates activities involved with procuring goods and services such as materials, equipment, tools, parts, supplies and advertising for establishments. Must be able to confers with vendors to obtain product or service information such as price, availability and delivery schedule.
Must be able to selects products for purchase by testing, observing or examining items.
With knowledge to purchase products local and overseas, Import/Export, Compute Cubic Feet, & OSHA regulations.

(1) Sales Representative — **Salary:$5.05/Hour**
Can speak/write English and Korean Language
College Graduate w/ 5 years experience. Computer literate and have a valid drivers license.
Must be able to works for the customer satisfaction, revenue generation, and long-term account goals in line with the company vision and values. Must be able to assist in the implementation of marketing plans as needed and maintain accurate records of all sales.

Interested applicants must send resume to Fax# 235-0697
No Phone Calls Please

Job Vacancy Announcement – Chong's Corp.

One (1) SALES ENGINEER - Salary $1,200 - $2,500/monthly

- Sells HVACR mechanical, electrical and related equipment, parts, supplies with required professional engineering knowledge and judgment on product recommendation
- Prepares estimates on equipment, parts, supplies or services as needed
- Knowledgeable in Building Management System
- Must be knowledgeable in interpreting plans & specifications and prepare shop drawing

One (1) ACCOUNTANT - Salary $1,200 - $2,500/monthly

- Prepare tax returns, tax payments & financial reports and verify its accuracy and conformance with Standard Accounting principle
- Monitor daily transactions, prepare journal entries and record into Peachtree Accounting program
- Handle customer billings, collections, cash receipts, payment & payroll
- Knowledgeable in Peachtree Accounting program and Microsoft office
- Bachelor's degree in Accounting required

Four (4) TECHNICIANS-AIR CONDITIONING & REFRIGERATION - Salary $5.05 - $8.00/hr

- Install , service and repair of ventilation, central air conditioning and refrigeration systems
- Perform repair and trouble analysis of VAV and VVT control systems and electrical/electronic control systems
- Repair and service of chilled water air conditioning system
- EPA Section 608 and R-410A Certification required

One (1) SHEET METAL WORKER - Salary $5.05 - $7.00/hr

- Fabricate, assemble, install and repair sheet metal products and equipment such as ducts, control boxes, drain pipes and furnace casings
- Set-up and operate fabricating machines, soldering and welding equipment
- Must be knowledgeable in interpreting plans and specifications

- All above must possess good communication skill and minimum 10-year experience required

One (1) COMMERCIAL CLEANER - Salary $5.05/hr

- Perform duties to maintain and clean office & private residence in an orderly manner
- Perform basic household chores
- Must be honest, responsible, reliable & efficient at all times and police clearance required

E-mail resume to chongs@pticom.com

Job Announcement

Sales Operation Manager - $5.05 to $6.70/hr
10 years continued experience with Bachelor's Degree in Sales & marketing. Must have extensive knowledge on consumer products, sales & promotional planning, inventory & budget control and product importation. Must have the ability to handle overall operations of wholesale business. Proficiency in Microsoft Word programs & wholesale software system is a must. Must be available to work anytime needed.

Sales Officer - $5.05 to $5.30/hr
High School graduate or an Associate degree holder with at least 10 years continued selling experience. Must have own reliable transportation. Ability to meet monthly sales target and must have extensive contacts in various industries. Must have extensive knowledge in Japanese and Korean products. Proficiency in Microsoft Word programs & wholesale software system is a must. Must be available to work on weekends and holidays.

Purchasing Agent- $5.05 to $5.30/hr
High School graduate or an Associate degree holder with at least 5 years of experience. Extensive knowledge in wholesale operation, ordering, planning, shipment. Extensive knowledge in Japanese and Korean products, preferred. Proficiency in Korean/Japanese speaking is advantage. Knowledgeable in Microsoft word programs & wholesale software system.

Building Repair & Maintenance / Warehouse worker- $5.05 to $5.30/hr
High school graduate or equivalent with at least 5-7 years experience. Must have extensive knowledge and experience in electrical, refrigeration, carpentry work. Familiar with picking, stacking and releasing of merchandize. Must be able to do some strenuous work with some lifting and carrying of items. Must know how to operate pallet jack and forklift equipments. Must be available to work on weekends and holidays.

Interested applicants submit resume and police clearance at Alpex Saipan Inc. office, across San Antonio Chuch, San Antonio Village. For application to be considered should be sent not later than Oct 25, 2011.

WHATZIT Solution:
Lie detector

Northern Marianas College

Procurement & Property Management Office
P.O. Box 501250 CK, Saipan, MP 96950 U.S.A.
Tel: (670) 234-5498 ext. 2300/01/02 Fax: (670) 235-7601
E-mail: procurement@nmcnet.edu, Website: www.nmcnet.edu

INVITATION FOR BIDS

NMC BID#: IFB 12-NMC-001

MAINTENANCE MANPOWER SERVICES

Northern Marianas College is soliciting competitive sealed bids for the procurement of Maintenance Manpower Services for the As Terlaje Campus.

Specifications and Scope of Work packages may be picked up at the **NMC Procurement Office, Bldg. L, 2nd Floor, commencing Wednesday (Oct 19th, 2011) between the hours of 8: 30-11:30 a.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m.**

Bid Packages are due no later than 4:00 p.m., November 03, 2011, at Northern Marianas College, As Terlaje Campus, Procurement Office, Bldg. L, 2nd Floor, Saipan, MP 96950. In accordance with Public Laws 15-95 and as further amended by Public Law 15-118, Local Preference is available to local businesses for this procurement.

For Bidders located outside of the CNMI: you may request a copy of the IFB via fax (670) 235-7601 or email to Anita Camacho (anitac@nmcnet.edu).

This solicitation does not constitute an offer and does not obligate the College in any way. The NMC reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids for any reason and waive any defect in said bids, or cancel in part or its entirety this IFB, if it deems, in its sole discretion, it is in the best interest of the College.

All costs incurred by the proposer to prepare a response to this solicitation and subsequent inquiries shall be borne by the proposer. All submittals shall become the property of NMC.

Approved by the following:

/s/ Anita Camacho
NMC Procurement Manager

/s/ John D. Guerrero
Administrative Services

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TO: ALFONSINA M. ARJU and ARJU ARJU

You are in default in your Note dated February 3, 2006, secured by a Mortgage of the same date, executed and delivered by you to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation.

(a) Description of the real property covered by Mortgage:

Lot No. 045 A 031, situated in As Matuis, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, containing an area of 1,123 square meters, more or less, as more particularly described on Drawing/Cadastral Plat No. 045 A 003 dated July 12, 1989 Commonwealth Recorder's File No. 93-1038, the description therein being incorporated herein by reference.

(b) Date and amount of Note and Mortgage: February 3, 2006; $42,500.00
(c) Amount due for principal: $ 2,389.67 as of January 1, 2011
(d) Amount due for interest: $ 8,821.97 as of January 1, 2011
(e) Daily accruing interest: $ 7.07
(f) Late charges $ 0

If the principal, interest, and late charges $11,211.64 as of January 1, 2011, plus accruing interest, together with reasonable attorney's fees, are not paid within thirty (30) days form the date of service of this notice upon you, Court proceedings will be commenced against you to foreclose upon the said Mortgage because of the default.

Unless you , within thirty (30) days after receipt of this letter dispute the validity of the claim, or any portion thereof, we will assume that it is valid. If you notify us in writing within this thirty (30) day period that the claim, or any portion thereof, is disputed, we will obtain information on the debt and mail you a copy thereof. Upon your written request within this thirty (30)-day period, we will provide you with the name and address of the original creditor, if different from the creditor indicated above.

This letter is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Ti un komple I kontratan debimu (Note) ni un fitma gi Febreru 3, 2006, no afabobot I Northern Marianas Housing Coproration ma asegurao I tano yan guma ni un emena gi mismo dia, un fitma yan un entrega I emena (mortgage) guato gi Northern Marianas Housing Corporation.

(a) I deskripsion tano ni ma empena (mortgaged):

Lot No. 045 A 031, situated in As Matuis, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, containing an area of 1,123 square meters, more or less, as more particularly described on Drawing/Cadastral Plat No. 045 A 003 dated July 12, 1989 Commonwealth Recorder's File No. 93-1038, the description therein being incorporated herein by reference.

(b) I kantida yan I fechan este na debi yan empepena: Febreru 3, 2006; $42,500.00
(c) Kantidu un debi para principat: $ 2,389.67 asta ki Eneru 1, 2011
(d) Kantidu un debi para interes: $ 8,821.97 asta lo Emeri 1, 2011
(e) Interes kada dia: $ 7.07
(f) Apas pot atrasao (late charges): $ 0

Yangin ti un apasi I kantida na principat, interes, yan apas pot atrasao (late charges) $11,211.64 asta Eneru 1, 2011 yan resanable na apas abugado gi halom trenta (30) dias despues di I fecha ni un resibe este na notisia, un ma konsidera komo ti unkomple I kontratamu (default), ya siempre u-matutuhun kontra hago a kausan kotti ni para uma kondena ya uma dendi I propriadat tano'mu ni un empepena guato gi Northern Marianas Housing Corporation.

Solo yangin halom trenta (20) dias dispues de un resibe este na kata yan kontra minagahet-na pot I apudera sino komo I pattida, siempre bai in hongge an asientadu a apulera. Pago yangin un kattayi ham gi halom este I trenta (30) dias siklo man infofotma hao pot I apudera sino komo I pattida para un kontra, pues bai in henta infotmasion pot I dibi-mu dispues un ma kattayi I kopia pot este na de'unta. Anai in resibe I katta-mu gi halom trenta(30) dias siklo, bai in nai'i hao na'an yan address I akredot komo ti parehu na akredot ma indika guini hulu.

Este na katta para u ma na'kesina ma rikohi I dibi-mu. Meseha hafa na infotmasion ni in resibe pot este na apudera – sina bai in usa para in ke-chagi mu rekohi para este I dibi-mu.

Su Seguro Servidor,

/s/ MICHAEL A. WHITE, ESQ.
Attorney at Law

PACIFIC ISLANDS CLUB

is inviting qualified US workers to apply for the following positions:

(3)ACCOUNTANT
$5.50-$8.00/hour
Degree in accounting required
Minimum 2 years work experience; preferably in hospitality
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
$5.05/hour
Minimum 2 years work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)A/C MECHANIC
$5.05/hour
Minimum 4 years work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(2)HVAC TECHNICIAN
$5.05/hour
Minimum 4 years work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)ACCOUNTING MANAGER
$30-$36K/year
This is a highly responsible professional financial and accounting position in the company's fiscal activities. The incumbent is directly responsible to the Finance Director and is expected to function in the absence of the Finance Director. Degree in accounting required; CPA preferred; five years management experience required. Strong Microsoft Office knowledge (Excel, Word, Visio and Powerpoint) skills are required. Epitome and MAS 90 system (General Ledger, Accounts Payable, Purchase Order, Inventory Management modules), experience will be considered an advantage.

(1)ASSISTANT RESTAURANT MANAGER
$24-$26K/year
This position monitors the daily operations of each restaurant function to ensure a positive guest experience and will profitably manage the overall operations of the restaurants . Will maintain all service aspects of food and beverage functions in accordance with the policies of the hotel. Minimum five (5) years restaurant and/or hotel food and beverage experience required. Minimum two (2) years previous F&B Leadership experience required. Previous experience in a first-class, medium to large resort preferred. Excellent written and oral communication skills are necessary. Considerable expert knowledge of banquet set-ups, policies and procedures. Must be able to successfully coordinate the staff and resources in high volume, time sensitive environment. Must have a genuine desire to lead the team in producing a high quality product, a great deal of creativity, and experience in budgeting and managing banquet operations. Positions requires work during weekends, holidays, and nights.

(4)BAKER
$5.05/hour
Minimum three years related work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)BANQUETS MANAGER
$23,660/yr + commission
This position monitors the daily operations of each banquet function to ensure a positive guest experience and will profitably manage the overall operations of the Banquet Department. Will maintain all service aspects of banquet functions in accordance with the policies of the hotel. Minimum five (5) years restaurant and/or hotel food and beverage experience required. Minimum two (2) years previous Banquet Leadership experience required. Previous experience in a first-class, medium to large resort preferred. Excellent written and oral communication skills are necessary. Considerable expert knowledge of banquet set-ups, policies and procedures. Must be able to successfully coordinate the staff and resources in high volume, time sensitive environment. The F&B Banquets Manager must have a genuine desire to lead the team in producing a high quality product, a great deal of creativity, and experience in budgeting and managing banquet operations. Positions requires work during weekends, holidays, and nights.

(8)BARTENDER
$5.05/hour
Minimum one year work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)BUILDING MAINTENANCE
$5.05/hour
Minimum 3 years work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1) BUTCHER
$5.05/hour
Minimum one year work experience as a butcher
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(2)CALL CENTER AGENT
$5.05/hour
Minimum six months work experience, previous call center experience preferred
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays
Language Skills speak/read/write English and one or more of the following languages: Korean, Russian, or Japanese

(5)CARPENTER
$5.05/hour
Minimum five years work experience as a cabinet maker
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(8)CLUBMATE
$5.05/hour
Minimum 6 months work experience
Must pass a swim test (pre-employment)
Must pass life guard certification (post-employment)
CPR/First Aid Certified preferred
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(21)COOK
$5.05/hour
Minimum one year related work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(2)COOK HELPER
$5.05/hour
Minimum 3 months work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)COST CONTROLLER
$7.00-$8.00/hour
Duties include, but are not limited to, assuming full responsibility for the inputting, reconciling and reporting of the Inventory System. Strong reconciliation skills, highly organized and able to operate without direct supervision. Degree in accounting preferred; two years previous supervisory experience required. Strong computer skills essential (Word and Excel) and is able to manage computerized inventory systems. Previous hotel experience preferred.

(2)ELECTRICIAN
$5.05/hour
Minimum 5 years work experience with license
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)ELECTRICIAN SUPERVISOR
$5.15/hour
Five years supervisory experience
Master electrician license required

(1) ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN SUPERVISOR (SPORTS, ENTERTAINMENT & ACTIVITIES DEPT)
$5.50-$8.00/hour
Responsible for property wide sound systems and in-house video. Strong background in Audio and Video is a must. Responsible for all technical aspects on all event orders, and making sure that these areas are covered. Assist in Clubmate duties when necessary. Must be able to meet and perform all requirements of the PIC Clubmate position including meeting all American Red Cross lifeguarding standards. Three years experience as Supervisor in similar role required.

(1)EXECUTIVE CHEF
$45K-$50K/yr
Work requires 8 years progressive experience in high volume food production or catering in multi-unit restaurant Hotel or Resort environment. Passion for multi-ethnic cuisine is required. Knowledge in spa cuisine helpful. Must contain the following: confidence, creativity, hands on, fun, professional with strong leadership/communication skills at all levels of the organization. Exceptional guest focus & proven positive employee relations skills a must. Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays.

(1)EXECUTIVE SOUS CHEF
$35K-$40K/yr
Work requires 6 years progressive experience in high volume food production or catering in multi-unit restaurant Hotel or Resort environment. Passion for multi-ethnic cuisine is required. Knowledge in spa cuisine helpful. Must contain the following: confidence, creativity, hands on, fun, professional with strong leadership/communication skills at all levels of the organization. Exceptional guest focus & proven positive employee relations skills a must. Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays.

(6) FOOD & BEVERAGE SUPERVISOR
$5.25/hour
Supervises employees engaged in serving foods in restaurants and maintaining cleanliness of food service areas and equipment; three years related work experience, two years supervisory experience required. Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays.

(5)FOOD SERVER CAPTAIN
$5.15/hour
Minimum 18 months related work experience,
One year supervisory experience required
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(4)FRONT DESK CLERK
$5.05/hour
Minimum one year work experience; preferably in hospitality
Previous cashiering experience required
Must be able to work graveyard shifts/weekends/holidays

(5)GARDENER
$5.05/hour
Minimum 3 years work experience
A working knowledge in landscaping chemistry
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(3)GENERAL MAINTENANCE
$5.05/hour
Minimum 3 years related work experience, preferably in a large hotel
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)Graphic Designer / Banquet, Event and Administration Coordinator
$6.00-$7.00/hour
In this role you must be able to create designs, advertisement layouts, develop graphics and layouts for product illustrations, company logos and internet websites. Must have previous experience with Apple Mac, Creative Suite 5. Must have previous photography experience, be able to coordinate a photo shoot, layout and printing of promotional collateral. Established contacts with NMI Media. Have two years experience as a Banquet Coordinator, be able to solicit business, conduct client meetings, oversee all aspects of function, including menu development. Provide administration support for the F&B Management team, including scheduling, labor cost tracking, researching products, concept development and report writing. Event Coordination, create, design esthetic and execution of concept. Interview process will include demonstration of graphic design ability and photography skills.

(1)GUEST RELATION/GUEST LOYALTY PROGRAM MANAGER
$35,000-$44,000/year
Oversee the general operation of the multi-lingual Guest Relations department, including the concierge and tour desk. Answers guest complaints, complete foreign language translations, cater to VIP's, handle special requests and delegate responsibilities as needed. To continually enhance, expand and operate the existing Guest Loyalty Program in order to increase brand awareness and repeater guest demand. To maximize business opportunities with a strong loyalty program that is evident by growth in occupancy, average room rate, yield and revenues. In addition responsible for maintaining a web site and handling Loyalty program online bookings. Minimum two years hotel management experience required. Proficiency (speaking, writing, reading) in English and Japanese, with one or more of the following languages an advantage: Korean, and/or Russian. Previous experience in Front Office, Reservations and Housekeeping required, this role also oversees Front Office and Reservations Department when Department Heads are on leave. Proven ability to operate a Guest Loyalty Program and previous data base experience.

(5)GUEST RELATIONS
$5.05/hour
Minimum one year hospitality experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays
Ability to solve guest concerns, cashiering experience needed
Must be able to speak/read/write English and one or more of the following languages: Korean, Russian, or Japanese.

(1)GUEST SERVICE AGENT
$5.05/hour
Minimum one year work experience; experience driving large passenger vehicles required
Must be able to work graveyard shifts/weekends/holidays
Must be at least 21 years of age, possess a valid CNMI driver's license, and pass a medical exam and substance abuse test
Must provide a police and traffic clearance

(19)ROOM ATTENDANT
$5.05/hour
Motivated self starter; responsible for cleaning up to 17 rooms per shift.
Minimum 6 months work experience
Must be able to work graveyard shifts/weekends/holidays

(4)LAUNDRY ATTENDANT
$5.05/hour
Minimum 6 months work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(9)PUBLIC AREA ATTENDANT
$5.05/hour
Minimum 6 months work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(8)LEAD COOK
$5.15/hour
Minimum three years experience as a cook; supervisory experience preferred.
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)MAINTENANCE REPAIR
$5.05/hour
Minimum 3 years related work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)POWERHOUSE MANAGER
$24K-$28K/year
7 years in diesel operation and repair
5 years management experience
Must be certified RO technicians water treatment & distribution
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)MAINTENANCE MANAGER
$39K-$49K/year
To assist the Director of Engineering in the day to day operations of the Department.
Must be familiar with all hotel engineering disciplines and support them
10 years experience as a manager in multiple use facilities
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)ENTERTAINMENT MANAGER (SPORTS, ENTERTAINMENT, ACTIVITIES MANAGER)
$24K-$27K/year
Job requires two years management experience; previous experience in the SEA department.
knowledge of theater and dance as well as three years of administrative management experience.
Must meet all requirements of a PIC Clubmate.
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)PURCHASING MANAGER
$30K-$35K/year
Plan, direct, or coordinate the activities of buyers, purchasing officers, and related workers involved in purchasing materials, products, and services. Degree in finance or business required. Four years management experience required, preferably in a hotel.

(1) RUSSIAN MARKET MANAGER/WEB MARKETING MANAGER
$35K-$45K/year
Manages Russian sales activities and daily operations of establishment: Coordinates local sales distribution and group bookings. Develops and maintains sales relationships with Russian wholesalers and local representatives of Russian-based wholesalers. Creates Russian market collateral and maintains Russian language website. Extensive knowledge in Russian travel internet sites required. Handles all Russian media, agent, VIPs and groups. Provides assistance to Russian guests during their stay and develops promotions to accommodate performance goals of company. Develops hotel's online presence through website, blogs, social media, e-newsletters in English and Russian. Mandatory written, reading and speaking fluency in English and Russian. Prepares month end reports and assists with marketing plan. Proficiency in MS Office, Adobe Photoshop 7.0, Epitome, web design. Any related duties as required.

(1)JAPAN SALES MANAGER
$33K-$43K/year
Coordinates all local Japanese sales efforts. Develops and maintains relationships with local Japanese tour companies and local representatives of Japan wholesalers. Responsibilities include coordinating all local marketing efforts targeted to Japanese tourists while in Saipan, placing advertisements in Japanese language publications, forecasting wholesaler materialization, organizing Japanese groups, representing hotel at JSTA and local Japanese Society, supervising Japanese market campaigns, conducting weekly sales calls and hosting Japanese media and travel agent familiarization tours. Proficiency in Japanese language (verbal, written, reading) required as well as Japanese Office, Epiteome, Japanese hotel booking systems.

MUSICIANS (3-pc band)
Salary dependant on experience
Able to perform music in English as well as Japanese/Korean/Russian
Minimum experience 2 years
Need to be able to play a variety of music genres, classical, pop, rock, reggae,
country etc. Must be able to play on an individual, duo and trio basis.
At least one member must be a classical pianist, playing classical music during restaurant dining hours.
Must be able to host events, MC events, be able to enroll audience participation during sing-a-long shows. Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays. Subject to audition

(1)NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR
$25K-$30K/year
Thorough knowledge of all software and hardware is required; this includes all Microsoft Windows Desktop and Server operating systems, Microsoft Application support, SQL Administration skills, Access Database and Crystal Report design skills with IIS, ASP and HTML Skills. Microsoft Exchange and Active Directory experience is highly desirable. Experience in the use of electronic mail (mail relays, spam filters and mail integrity) and Internet protocols (e.g. TCP/IP, PPP, and IMAP). Sound knowledge of routers, firewalls, network security, network configuration and construction, switches and fiber is required. Applicant should have in depth knowledge of PBX Telephone Systems, PC and Server hardware, new PC and Server installations, WIFI configuration and support, System backups and general network administration. We require a self-sufficient, career-minded person to provide support to our IT team. You must have sound IT industry experience (5 years minimum). Excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to support a 24hr business are also essential. A+, Network +, and/or MCP certification are also highly desirable.

(1)NIGHT AUDITOR
$5.05 - $5.80/hour
College graduate majoring; 2 years of relevant work experience
Business knowledge on the basic functions of debits and credits; Knowledge on hotel-related systems particularly on front-office systems and point-of-sale systems of the hotel industry; Familiarity on how the hotel settlement system works (cash, room charge, credit card transaction or similar); MUST be able to work from 11:00 pm to 7:00 am; May involve shift work, including working on weekends and holidays.

(4)PAINTER
$5.05/hour
Minimum 3 years related work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)PASTRY SUPERVISOR
$5.25/hour
Minimum five years pastry experience; two years supervisory experience required.
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)PLUMBER
$5.05/hour
Minimum 5 years related work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(3)POOL MAINTENANCE
$5.05/hour
Minimum two years related work experience
Previous HAZMAT training preferred
Shift begins at 2:00 a.m. daily

(4)POWERHOUSE OPERATOR
$5.05/hour
Minimum five years related work experience
Must be certified RO technicians water treatment & distribution
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)RESERVATIONS CLERK – RUSSIAN MARKET
$5.05-$5.50/hour
Minimum one year work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays
Must be able to speak/read/write English and Russian

(1)RESIDENT MANAGER
$65K-$80K/year
Ensures the efficient and smooth operation of all resort divisions through effective management and leadership, delegation and technical assistance. Directs and coordinates activities of the organization to obtain optimum efficiency and economy of operations and maximize profits whilst taking into consideration the needs of guests and employees. Bachelor's degree in hotel or business administration. Ten years management experience in 3 star hotels or higher with 300 rooms or more

(1)RUSSIAN MARKET ASSISTANT
$5.05/hour
Assists the Russian Market Manager and Russian Coordinator with sales activities and daily operations of establishment: Finalizes booking invoices for Russian reservations to ensure accuracy. Coordinates Russian market collateral and maintains competitive analysis on Russian travel websites. Mandatory written, reading and speaking fluency in English and Russian. Prepares month end reports. Proficiency in MS Office and Epitome. Any related duties as required.

(3)SALES ASSOCIATE
$5.05/hour
Minimum one year work experience; previous cashiering experience preferred
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(5)STEWARD
$5.05/hour
Minimum 3 months work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(1)ASSISTANT CHIEF STEWARD
$5.25/hour
Two years stewarding experience; minimum 2 years supervisory experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

(7)HOUSEKEEPING SUPERVISOR
$5.15/hour
One year supervisory experience, preferably in hospitality. One year Housekeeping Supervisor experience required (minimum 300 rooms hotel). Motivated self starter, required to clean rooms as required, responsible for checking up to 80 rooms per shift. Must be able to work graveyard shifts/weekends/holidays

(4)FRONT DESK SUPERVISOR
$5.15/hour
One year previous Front Office Desk Supervisor experience required
Ability to solve guest related concerns and lead a team.
Must be able to work graveyard shifts/weekends/holidays
Prefer language ability: Korean, Japanese or Russian

(1)GUEST SERVICE SUPERVISOR
$5.15/hour
One year supervisory experience; experience driving large passenger vehicles required
Must be able to work graveyard shifts/weekends/holidays
Must be at least 21 years of age, possess a valid CNMI driver's license, and pass a medical exam and substance abuse test
Must provide a police and traffic clearance

(4)MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR
$5.15/hour
Five years related experience
Three years supervisory experience

(16)WAITSTAFF
$5.05/hour
Minimum 3 months work experience
Must be able to work evenings/weekends/holidays

PIC applications are available at the PIC Security Desk by the Loading Dock/Employee Entrance. A copy of valid police clearance must be attached to the application. Incomplete applications will NOT be accepted. Skills testing may be required for some positions. PIC is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Grace Christian Academy
is looking for:

Accountant (2) needed:
Bachelor's Degree in Accounting
5 or more years accounting in
Christian school Proficiency in
Accountrak/School Minder programs

Download application at www.gca-nmi-com
and submit at Grace Christian Academy

Grace Christian Assembly
is looking for:

Accountant (1)
Bachelor's degree in Accounting
5 or more years in Church Accounting
Willing to work on flexible time.

Get application at Grace Christian Assembly,
1:30 to 3:30 PM, Tuesday to Friday.

(3) Tour & Marketing Coordinator
2 yrs working experience.
Preferably fluent in Japanese, Chinese
& English (oral & written).

Interested qualified US workers must
submit their application/resume
with police clearance to

KENTO Enterprises, Inc.
office or email kento_ad@live.jp.
No phone calls please.

1 Goldsmith/Precious Metal Worker - $5.50/hr
Minimum of 5 years experience. Must be knowledgeable in Gold & Silver Jewelry repair, fabricating Hawaiian style, gem stone setting, mounting & related work

1-Accountant - $5.05/hr
Minimum of 3-4 years experience w/ college degree. Must have a knowledge in jewelries, precious stone inventory.

Mail resume to King's Inc. P.O. Box 5050 CHRB Saipan, MP 96950 or Fax 234-8868

Vacancy Announcement

(4) Fish Processors, (1) Accountant, (8) Fishermen, (3) Boat Mechanics, (1) Network/Computer Systems Administrators.

4-5 years working experience required.

Send resume to PMB 605 Box 10000, Saipan, MP 96950
(US Citizen or Permanent Resident)

YUTA CORPORATON

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
(1) Office Manager. Salary $1,800.00 p/m
(1) Office Supervisor. Salary $900.00 p/m
(1) Accountant. Salary $5.05 p/h
4 – 5 years working experience required.

Interested U.S. Citizen must fax resume to 233-3703

Marianas Medical Center Job Vacancies

Medical Laboratory Technicians (3 positions). Associate degree in Medical Technology or minimum CLIA required course hours for high complexity lab testing. Minimum of 2 years recent work experience in a CLIA certified medical laboratory. Must have work experience in operating Siemens chemistry and ABX hematology systems. Salary range $6.00 to $8.50, depending on qualification and experience. Please submit resume with 2 by 2 pictures at Marianas Medical Center (MMC) in Garapan no later than October 24, 2011. Qualified applicants are required to submit police clearance and drug testing results. MMC is a Smoke Free Work Place.

IMMEDIATE OPENING

STEVEDORE
DIESEL MECHANIC
EQUIPMENT OPERATOR
WELDER
GENERAL MAINTENANCE WORKER
CRANE OPERATOR

APPLY IN PERSON AND BRING RESUME. NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

"Any applicant tentatively selected for these positions are required to submit to and pass a drug test screening prior to employment."

SAIPAN STEVEDORE COMPANY, INC.

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

AUDITOR
Opening: October 12, 2011 to October 22, 2011

Job description: Duties include performing audit risk assessment procedures; performing test of internal controls related to financial statement audit in accordance with GAAP in the US and compliance audits in accordance with the applicable standards; performing detailed substantive audit procedures; preparing draft Audit Reports and Financial Statements; and performing compilation, review and agreed-upon procedure engagements.

Qualification: Graduate of BS Accountancy or related degrees, with at least 3 years experience in auditing private, government and not-for-profit organization. **Salary:** $26,500 per annum

Interested applicants may fax their resume at J. Scott Magliari & Co at 670-233-8214 or email at jsm@magliari-cpa.com on or before October 22, 2011.

DIAMOND CARE

Diamond Home Health Care

Tel.: 235-2274 or 285-2247
Fax.: 235-2275

Job opening for following positions:

REGISTERED NURSE
LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE
PHYSICAL THERAPIST
MEDICAL SOCIAL WORKER

Submit your resume at Diamond Home Health Care office located in Middle Road, Gualo Rai area, next door from the Family Outlet and adjacent to Sherwin-Williams building. For more information call the above numbers and ask for Jess.

SN FIVE INCORPORATED - JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
Opening Date: October 18, 2011 / Closing Date: October 28, 2011

1 CIVIL ENGINEER ($5.05 / hour)
- Must have a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineer
- Utilize the AutoCad software for preparation of Multi-discipline Design such as Architectural Plan, Structural Plan, Civil Work Plan, Electrical Plan, and Plumbing/Sanitary Plan independently or without help under limited time frame.
- Must be certified on the following: Occupational Safety and Health Administration "OSHA", Community Emergency Response Team, Hazardous Waste Operation and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER), Handling and Transportation of Hazardous Materials, Structural Pest Control Applicator, Soil Percolation Tester, and Water Treatment Plant Operator.
- Must have at least 5 years of Professional Experience

2 STEVEDORE SUPERVISOR ($5.05 / hour)
- Must be certified on the following: Community Emergency Response Team, and Handling and Transportation of Hazardous Materials
- Must have background on shipping business
- Must be computer literate
- Must have at least 5 years of Supervisory Experience

2 DIESEL MARINE ENGINE MECHANIC ($5.05 / hour)
- Must posses a PANAMA LICENSE to operate a 56 LCM Landing cargo boat from Tinian to Saipan/return
- Must be certified in handling and transportation of hazardous materials and certified in community emergency response team
- Must be able to maintain and fix any and all problems related to the engine and crane of the cargo ship
- Must have at least 5 years of experience as Diesel Marine Engine Mechanic

1 MECHANIC ($5.05 / hour)
- Must be able to repair small engine, car, and boom truck and maintenance
- Must have a least 5 years of experience as Mechanic

2 STEVEDORE ($5.05 / hour)
- Must be knowledgeable in navigational charts and tide tables
- Must be certified in handling and transportation of hazardous materials and certified in community emergency response team
- Must have a least 5 years of experience as Stevedore

1 MASON ($5.05 / hour)
- Must have at least 5 years of masonry experience.
- Must be able to work flexible hours

1 FARMER ($5.05 / hour)
- Must have at least 5 years of farming experience and production of local charcoal.

1 COMBINED FOOD PREPARATION AND SERVING WORKER ($5.05 / hour)
- Must have at least 5 years of experience in food preparation, cooking and serving

1 HOUSEWORKER ($5.05 / hour)
- Must have at least 5 years of experience as House worker.
- Must be able to work flexible hours.

Applicants must submit drug test results and a copy of police clearance.
Interested applicants can send their resume to sn5incorporated.tiq@gmail.com

HAFADAI BEACH HOTEL
P.O. BOX 500338 SAIPAN, MP 96950-0338
TEL: (670) 234-6495 to 98 • FAX (670) 237-252

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Open Date: Oct. 19, 2011
Close Date: Oct. 25, 2011

Position: Supervisor, Front Desk
Salary: $8.00 per hour

Job Qualification: AA Degree/College Graduate. (5) years experience as F/D Supervisor/Must speak Japanese, Korean, & Chinese. U.S. or Permanent Resident.

Position: Clerk, Front Desk
Salary: $5.05 per hour

Job Qualification: High School graduate. Preferably Japanese, Korean & Chinese Speaking. Must have minimum of 2 years experience in Hotel. U.S. or Permanent Resident.

For more information you may contact Mr. Juan I Tenorio, Manager for Human Resources Department at (670) 234-6495 ext. 5840/2.
Employment application forms are available at Hafadai Beach Hotel, Human Resource Department.

AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER

Employer: **Pacific Blue Corp.**
P.O BOX 505701 CK SAN JOSE/Phone: (233-0168)
Contact Person: Ms. Dela Cruz /Mr. Dizon (elvie@pcoutletguam.com)

Job Title: **(1)Computer User Support Specialists**
Qualification Requirements: (5) FIVE YEARS EXPERIENCE
Salary Range: $5.05 /Hourly Full Time (no House Provide)
WORK COMPENSATION AND MEDICAL INSURANCE
Job Duties:
- Performs repairs and analysis of all kinds of computers including Macintosh, computer peripherals and all kinds of printers.
- Install or repair Windows or Macintosh computers with standardized applications and networking software, diagnosing and solving problems that develop in their operations.
- Provide sales quotation(s) of recommended/preferred computer to the customer
- Diagnose defective personal computer & peripheral devices
- Train new users and Diagnose defective Large Format Printer, Repair & Maintenance of Large Format Printer

Job Title: **(1)Computer Network Support Specialists**
Qualification Requirements: (5) FIVE YEARS EXPERIENCE
Salary Range: $5.05 /Hourly Full Time (no House Provided)
WORK COMPENSATION AND MEDICAL INSURANCE
Job Duties:
- Knowledge of circuit boards, processors, chips, electronic equipment, and computer hardware and software, including applications and programming.
- Install or repair Windows or Macintosh computers with standardized applications and networking software, diagnosing and solving problems that develop in their operations and all kinds of printers also rebuilds fuser assemblies for specific laser printers.
- Repairs desktop and laptop motherboards, LCD and CRT monitors, projectors, computer peripherals and other electronic devices by replacing the specific defective parts (i.e. chipsets, capacitors, resistors, fuses, etc.).
- Install, operate, maintain, troubleshoot and resolve open issues related but not limited to network PC's, printers, wireless routers, hubs, switches, modems, LAN, WAN, connectivity, and other network related problems also Outbound jobs.

Job Title: **(1) Computer Service Representative**
Qualification Requirements: (5) FIVE YEARS EXPERIENCE
Salary Range: $5.05 /Hourly Full Time (no House Provide)
WORK COMPENSATION AND MEDICAL INSURANCE
Job Duties:
- Answer questions or resolve computer problems for clients in person, or via telephone or electronically. May provide assistance concerning the use of computer hardware and software, including printing, installation, word processing, electronic mail, and operating systems
- Selling our products by performing excellent presentations, demonstrating professional demeanor, and displaying unparalleled product knowledge
- Should be familiar of point of sale POS software Cyber Matrix software; ICVERIFY software; Plexis Software Plexis POS; Token Works Magnetic Card Reader Spreadsheet, Word processing

Job Vacancy Announcement

One (1) Health Safety & Environmental Officer
College level, plus 5 years experience as health and safety inspector. Applicant must be proficient in written and oral communications. Computer literate: Microsoft Word, Excel, and Power Point. Applicant must be up-to-date with current legislations on Health Safety & Environmental. Applicant should have project management experience and knowledge of the operations of power plant. Applicant must have a valid driver's license.

One (1) Administrative Assistant
College level, plus 5 years experience working in industrial company. Computer literate: Microsoft Office Word, Excel and Outlook. Applicant must be proficient with using Peachtree Accounting software. Applicant must have excellent written and oral communication skills. Applicant must have international purchasing experience, and understanding of basic technical specifications. Applicant must have a valid driver's license.

Two (2) Power Plant Operator
Applicants must be college level, plus 5 years experience in power plant operations. Applicants must be able to operate low and high voltage switchgear.

Two (2) Power Plant Mechanic
Technical School graduate, plus 5 years experience as power plant mechanic with diesel engine experience. Applicants must be able to repair EMD, Nordberg, and Cummins diesel generator sets.

One (1) Power Plant Electrician
Technical School graduate, plus 5 years experience as industrial electrician. Applicant must be knowledgeable in motor, generator rewinding and must be able to interpret switchgear and engine control electrical wiring diagrams.

One (1) Warehouse Clerk
At least college level, plus 5 years relevant experience in warehouse management including power plant equipments and parts store. Applicant must know how to use Microsoft office Word, Excel and familiar with Peachtree Accounting software.

Contact: PMIC at Tel # 322-6181 • Fax# 322-6180

Luen Fung Enterprises (Saipan), Inc.
is inviting qualified U.S. workers to apply for the below positions.

Sales Officer (5) - High school graduate or an Associate degree holder with at least 8 years selling experience in wholesale and retail field. The qualified applicant must be able to meet monthly sales target and have extensive contacts in various industries. Must have good oral and written communication skills. Proficiency in Chinese language is an advantage. Proficiency in Microsoft Word programs & wholesale software system is a must. Valid driver's license is required.

Warehouse Manager (1) - Associate degree holder with at least 5 years management experience in wholesale warehouse operations. The qualified applicant must have extensive knowledge in the area of receiving, inventory management, quality control, storage, product handling & dispatching operations. Proficiency in Microsoft Word programs & wholesale software system is a must. Valid driver's license is required.

Purchasing Agent (1) - Graduate of a 4 year degree course with at least 10 years experience in a wholesale and retail company. Qualified applicant must have extensive knowledge in the area of wholesale operations (food and non-food items), ordering, shipment planning, costing and receiving. Good customer service skills, good oral and written communication skills are required. Proficiency in Chinese language is an advantage. Proficiency in Microsoft Word programs & wholesale software system is a must. Valid driver's license is required.

Delivery Driver (3) – High school graduate with at least 3 years experience. Must be able to do strenuous work with some lifting and carrying of items on the job. Capable of loading, unloading and delivering goods/merchandise to customers. Must be able to perform mathematical computation in case of returns and adjustments. Dependable, hard working, can work flexible hours such as weekends and late hours and able to follow directions well. Must possess Food handler's certificate and a valid driver's license.

Commercial Cleaner (2) – 5 years experience. Can handle job in cleaning commercial establishments both in manual and use of electric power equipment. Should be flexible, hardworking and reliable. May be required to do other duties.

Meat Cutter (1) - High school level with at least 7 years experience. Dependable, hard working, can work flexible hours such as weekends and late hours, able to follow directions well and can work under pressure. Must possess Food handler's certificate.

Accountant (1) - Bachelor's degree in Accounting with at least 10 years experience in wholesale & retail business. Proficiency in general ledger, tax computations and preparation of financial statements is a must. Qualified applicant must have a clean track record, honest, dependable and trustworthy. Proficiency in Microsoft Word programs & wholesale software system is a must. Valid driver's license is required.

Accounting Associates (3) – Graduate of a 2 to 4 years degree course with at least 8 years accounting work experience in a wholesale and retail company. Qualified applicant must have extensive knowledge and experience in handling of receivables, payables, costing, billing and invoicing is a must. Proficiency in Microsoft Word programs & wholesale software system is a must. Valid driver's license is required.

Warehouse Worker (6) - At least 7 years experience. Must be able to do strenuous work such as unloading, loading with some lifting and carrying of items on the job. Qualified applicant must be familiar with picking, stacking and releasing merchandise. Qualified applicant must be dependable, hard working, can work flexible hours such as weekends and late hours and able to follow directions well. Must know how to operate pallet jack and forklift equipments. Must posses Food handler's certificate and a valid driver's license.

Building Repair & Maintenance (1) – High school graduate or equivalent with at least 10 years experience. Must have extensive knowledge and experience in electrical, refrigeration, carpenter work, monitoring and service of in-house generator and general repairs of buildings. Must have obtained certifications/training for 16-Hour Transportation of Hazardous Materials, 8-hour Hazardous Waste Operations & Emergency Response, Technician Type I, II as required by 40 CFR 82 Subpart. Valid driver's license is required. Must be available - 24 hours on-call.

For applications to be considered, they must be submitted to our office no later than October 21, 2011. Our office is located at:

Luen Fung Enterprises
Gualo Rai, Middle Road, Saipan, MP 96950

All applicants must have a current police clearance.
A pre-employment drug testing will be required.
Salaries will be commensurate with qualificationand experience.

Fountain Server

Should possess good verbal communication and listening, and problem-solving skills. Self-motivation, organization, persistence, independence, the ability to multitask, and a valid BEH food handler's certificate are required. Knowledge in bookkeeping and administrative position. Must be available to work late nights and weekends, dependable attendance, hardworking, trustworthy, honest and ethical. Bring resume to Sweet n' Treats in San Jose (Morgen Bldg.), Beach Road. Deadline of submission is on October 21, 2011.

TC Catering

Job Vacancy Announcement

1-Accountant/Bookkeeper. Salary $5.05 p/h. Accounting Graduate or 4 years College from a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. 5 years or more work experience. Able to prepare payroll, CNMI & Federal Taxes, and Bank Reconciliation. Must have knowledge in Peachtree Accounting System and Microsoft applications.

1-Cook. Salary $5.05 p/h. 5 years working experience required. Must have knowledge in Food Processing and able to cook different varieties of International Cuisine. Knowledge in food safety. Able to work flexible hours, days, holidays and weekends.

Interested applicants may send resume to TC Catering
P.O. Box 8070 SVRB, Saipan, MP 96950

Job Vacancy Announcement

2-Farmers – Knowledge in farming equipment, pesticide and grafting

1-Bdlg Repairer – Knowledge in carpentry, plumbing & electrical repair

1-Manager – 5 yrs minimum experience in office management, accounting, purchasing, building & apartment management. Able to do import & export documentations

TMSablan Company
Box 506608 Saipan MP 96950
Tel: 234-1444

Vacancy Announcement for US workers

(1) **Assistant Sales Manager**
(1) **Manager Sales**
College graduate.
Minimum 5 yrs experience. Knowledge in computers, flexible work schedule

If interested, please call 233-0569 and look for Mr. Vinod
R.K. (CNMI) INC.
P.O. Box 504306 CK Saipan, MP 96950

Job Vacancy Announcement

(5) **Mason** – 5 years experience - $ 5.05/hr
(2) **Carpenters** – 5 years experience - $ 5.05/hr
(1) **Accountant** – 5 years experience/Degree in Accounting & Bookkeeping/Must be computer literate - $ 5.05/hr
(5) **Waitress** – 3 years experience - $ 5.05/hr
(1) **House worker** – 3 years experience

Interested applicant must contact and submit resume to
RPCF, INC
P.O. Box 504549 Saipan, MP 96950
Tel #: 234-9127
email-brian@pticom.com

SNE Saipan Co., Ltd.

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
(1) Building Maintenance Repairer,
(1) Office Manager, (1) Commercial Cleaner
3-5 yrs experience. Valid driver's license.
Police Clearance required.

Interested qualified U.S. workers may submit Application/or resume as SNE office or email snesaipan@live.jp. No phone calls please.

Tomas SP. Bundoc
TM Refrigeration & Air conditioning Services
PO Box 502712 Saipan, MP 96950

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

· 1-Accountant · 1-Helper Technician
· 1-A/C/Refrigeration Mechanic
· 1-General Maintenance Repairer

5-10 years experience. Salary: $5.05-7.00 p/h
All interested applicants may call 287-1112 or send resume to masangcayrowena@yahoo.com

(1) Manager.
$1,000 - $1,500/month
5 – 10 yrs work related experience in photographic services/industry required. Must read, write and speak Japanese.

All Interested applicants may email their resume to fujitmt@live.jp or send to
PO Box 5744 CHRB, Saipan, MP 96950
TMT Corporation

Vacancy Announcement

1 – Groundskeeper/Landscaper

Must be skilled in working with and maintaining various grounds keeping equipment, including power tolls: bush cutter, hedge trimmer, chainsaw and riding mower. Maintain lawns driveways water catchments and landscaping around house rentals. Have a basic knowledge of outdoor plumbing and maintenance for landscaping. Must have at least five years experience with references from prior employers; posses a valid driver's license and a current police clearance. 32 hour work week at $5.05 per hour. Interested U.S. applicant only. Call Rosa Sorensen @ 322 -2424.

K.N.L. Co., Ltd.

dba Happy Island Tour
PMB 301 PPP Box 10000, Saipan, MP 96950 • Tel.: (670) 235-9500

Job Vacancy Announcement

6 Tour Guide: $5.05/hr, tips and commission. At least two years of tour guiding experience in Saipan is required. Korean speaking and writing fluency is required.

1 Operations Manager (Tour): $1,000-$1,400/mo. Bachelor's degree and at least five years of experience in tour industry is required. Korean speaking and writing fluency is required.

1 General Manager: $1,000-$2,500/mo. At least five years of experience in tour agency management is required. Korean speaking and writing fluency is required.

1 Vehicle, Building and Grounds Cleaner: $4.05/hr. At least two years of professional cleaning experience is required.

Email resume to knl@hanmisaipan.com.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

1-Manager - $ 5.55/hr. Bachelor's Degree required. Minimum of 4 years experience in Indian Restaurant

3-Cooks - $ 5.05/ hr. Minimum of 4 years experience in Indian Cuisine (Tandoori & Mughlai)

3-Waitress - $ 5.05/hr. Minimum of 4 years experience. Must have knowledge on Indian Cusine

Send resume to tasteofindiasaipan@gmail.com or bring it to Taste Of India restaurant in Middle Road.
Telephone No. 234-8448

Tour company Belka Tours is announcing vacancy on 4 positions of Manager with the rate of $5.05 per hour.

Job requirements: Bachelor degree, Knowledge of the Russian tourism market, tour company operations, local hospitality industry and land operations, familiarity with specifics of a diving tourism. Language Skills: Russian - fluent oral and written, English - confident oral and written (preferably E-094 or higher). Communication skills, Computer skills (Microsoft Word, Excel, and Adobe Photoshop); 5 years experience in tourism industry; Licenses: driving is a must; scuba diving of any level is a plus. Must be legal to work in the CNMI.

Submit resume via e-mail belkators@pticom.com or fax to 234-6286.

Job Announcement

Automotive Service Technician and Mechanics (3) - $5.05 to $5.55/hr
5-7 years continued experience. Knowledgeable in general repair and replacement services to include: truing rotors and drums, disc drums and brakes, wheel alignment, struts and suspension, engine performance (tune-up), fuel systems, cruise control, sound systems, exhaust systems, fluid and filter service, heating and cooling systems, air conditioning systems, drive train/U-joint service, front wheel drive/constant velocity joints and specialty installations.

Supervisor of Mechanics Installer & Repairer - $5.05 to $6.15/hr
10 years continued experience. 4-year degree graduate, preferred. Knowledgeable in general repair of vehicles/trucks. General knowledge Proficient in estimating and quoting jobs and diagnosing mechanical problems at all stages. Demonstrated proficiency in supervising and motivating subordinates. Excellent written and oral communication.

Four Wheel Alignment Technician - $5.05 to $5.90/hr
10 years continued experience. Heshbon HA710 Series Computer Alignment, preferred. Specialize in performing wheel Alignments and adjustment on medium and heavy duty vehicles. Comprehensive understanding of vehicle performance & under-body diagnosis, and knowledge of brake system, steering, suspension. Promote tire sales, provide technical service, repairs and diagnose tire wear.

Accountant/Bookkeeper- $5.05 to $7.25/hr
7 years accounting experience. Bachelors degree, preferred. Proficient in Quickbooks /Peachtree software. Must have excellent communication, organizational and self management skills.

Interested applicants submit resume and police clearance at D & W Saipan Inc. office , 2nd floor of Highway Express Building middle Road. For application to be considered should be sent not later than Oct 25, 2011.

Job Announcement

Maintenance Supervisor- $5.05 to $6.65/hr
10 years continued experience. Extensive knowledge in building inspection, repair safety measures and waste management. Ability to handle tenants maintenance request (electrical, plumbing, mechanical, carpentry). Knowledgeable in OSHA and CNMI environmental laws. Knowledgeable in electrical system installation in accordance with NEC and local government standards.

Building Repairs and maintenance (2)- $5.05 to $5.15/hr
5-7 years continued experience. Perform maintenance and repair jobs on buildings, knowledge in carpentry, plumbing, masonry and yard work.

Houseworker- $5.05
5 years experience. Honest, trustworthy, hardworking and follow instructions well. Can perform housework and cook Korean meals. Preferably Korean speaking.

Interested applicants submit resume and police clearance at HS Lee Construction Office, 2nd floor of Highway Express Building middle Road. For application to be considered should be sent not later than Oct 25, 2011.

Saipan Triple Star Recycling Inc.

Job Vacancy Announcement

1-General Manager. Salary $5.05 p/h. 10 years working experience. Chinese speaking preferred. Knowledge in managing more than 20 employees. Familiar with recycling procedures a plus.

1-Office Manager. Salary $5.05 p/h. 5 years working experience. College graduate required. Able to speak & write in English, Chinese and Japanese. Basic Computer skills required.

2-Heavy Equipment Maintenance. Salary $5.05 p/h. 10 years working experience. Knowledge in repair, diagnose and maintain all heavy equipments.

4-Recycling Helper. Salary $5.05 p/h. 2 years experience. Chinese speaking preferred.

6-Assistant Manager. Salary $5.05 p/h. 5 years experience required. Must fulfill job assignments from Managers.

3-Welder. Salary $5.05 p/h. 10 years working experience. Knowledge in welding & cutting Metals. Chinese Speaking preferred.

2-Department Manager. Salary $5.05 p/h. 10 years working experience. Basic computer skills required. Chinese speaking preferred.

Interested applicants please send resume to
PMB 33, Box 10012, Saipan, MP 96950

TAKAI & ASSOCIATES
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Job Vacancy Announcement

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Revis' INTs help lead Jets past Dolphins

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP)—For a team in turmoil, this was one therapeutic win.

It certainly wasn't pretty or convincing. But it did the job for Rex Ryan and his feuding New York Jets.

Darrelle Revis ran back the first of his two interceptions 100 yards for a touchdown and the Jets did just enough to beat the winless Miami Dolphins 24-6 on Monday night and end a three-game losing streak.

Mark Sanchez threw a 38-yard touchdown pass to Santonio Holmes and ran for another score as the Jets—who called this a "must-win" game—capped a tough week by pulling out a victory and sending the Dolphins to their fifth straight loss.

With the losses mounting and the season already on the brink of spinning out of control for the Jets (3-3), they traded wide receiver Derrick Mason to Houston and then had to deal with some infighting as Holmes called out the offensive line for not giving Sanchez enough time to throw deep. Right guard Brandon Moore fired back, saying those comments could have a "fragmenting effect" and were not what a captain, which Holmes is, should do.

Ryan, who insisted his team's Super Bowl hopes would not be undone by locker room disharmony, even sent Holmes and Moore out as the captains for the pregame coin toss.

Turns out, this game against the Dolphins (0-5) came at just the right time as the Jets got their season back on track. Next up for New York: the San Diego Chargers (4-1) on Sunday, with a chance to head into the bye on a high note.

Sanchez, who has also taken lots of criticism, finished 14 of 25 for 201 yards and the touchdown pass to Holmes, and Shonn Greene ran for 74 yards on 21 carries.

Meanwhile, the Dolphins are 0-5 to start a season for the second time in five years, and things are looking an awful lot like 2007—when Miami went 1-15. The heat on Dolphins coach Tony Sparano could intensify now, with some already calling for his job before this game.

Wide receiver Brandon Marshall couldn't even live up to his promise to get ejected sometime in the second quarter. He also said he might even start a fight with Jets linebacker Bart Scott or cornerback Antonio Cromartie.

It was all talk.

But that's what many fans and media were wondering of the struggling Jets. And, they did little to convince them otherwise as their anemic offense went three-and-out on their first two possessions.

The Dolphins got on the scoreboard first on Dan Carpenter's 23-yard field goal midway through the opening quarter.

After a 20-yard catch by Marshall put the ball at the 10, Daniel Thomas ran for 5 yards before Matt Moore threw incomplete into the end zone to Anthony Fasano and Marshall on consecutive plays as Miami settled for the field goal.

Moore, starting for the injured Chad Henne who's out for the season after shoulder surgery, was 16 of 34 for 204 yards and two interceptions. Marshall had six catches for 109 yards, but was kept out of the end zone. Reggie Bush, who left in the third quarter with his right arm hanging at his side—it was announced as a neck injury—had 71 yards rushing and two catches for 7 yards.

AP

New York Jets cornerback Darrelle Revis (24) passes Miami Dolphins tight end Anthony Fasano (80) as he returns an interception 100 yards for a touchdown during the first quarter of an NFL football game Monday, Oct. 17, 2011, in East Rutherford, N.J.

The night appeared to be taking an awful turn for the Jets when they lost the ensuing kickoff after the field goal when it bounced off blocker Garrett McIntyre—standing in front of returner Joe McKnight—and was recovered by Austin Spitler.

After two runs by Thomas for 3 yards, Moore threw at Marshall in the end zone, but Revis stepped in front of the pass and returned it untouched 100 yards to make it 7-3.

The return tied for the longest in franchise history, first set by Aaron Glenn in 1996, also against Miami. It was also the longest interception runback in the league this season.

Carpenter's 21-yard field goal early in the second quarter made it 7-6, capping a nine-play, 77-yard drive that was helped by Marshall's 46-yard catch along the left sideline—in which he stepped out of bounds at the Jets 35—and a 15-yard reception by Lex Hilliard. On third down at the Jets 3, Moore went to Marshall in the end zone but his toss was slightly behind him and the ball went off the receiver's hands.

The Jets opened with four straight three-and-outs for the second consecutive game before getting things going late in the first half. On third-and-9 from the Jets 20, Jeremy Kerley caught a 14-yard pass for New York's initial first down of the game, with 6:17 left in the half.

The Jets got three more first downs, including Holmes' 20-yard reception that got the ball to the 11. Two plays later, LaDainian Tomlinson gained 9 yards on a shovel pass. Sanchez, lined up in the shotgun, took two steps and then zipped forward and dived into the end zone for a 5-yard touchdown to give New York a 14-6 lead with 1:14 left in the opening half.

Nick Folk kicked a 28-yard field goal to make it 17-6 with 4:15 left in the third quarter, capping a 13-play, 79-yard drive that took nearly half the period.

Holmes' 38-yard grab early in the fourth quarter sealed it for the Jets after Sanchez bought some time with his feet and found the receiver, who easily outran linebacker Cameron Wake and made a few nice moves on his way into the end zone to put New York up 24-6.

Hey, stranger! Rangers, Cards meet in World Series

By BEN WALKER
AP BASEBALL WRITER

Albert Pujols and Josh Hamilton in a matchup of MVP sluggers. Nelson Cruz and David Freese becoming bigger names with each home run swing. Pitching staffs full of shaky starters and shutdown relievers.

Plus a Rally Squirrel and the Claw.

The Texas Rangers and St. Louis Cardinals, with a lot of symmetry, are all set to get acquainted in the World Series.

Leave it to ol' Arthur Rhodes to make the introductions. The 41-year-old lefty specialist began the year with Texas, wound up in St. Louis and is likely to get a ring either way.

Besides, it takes someone who's been around a bit to remember the last time these teams played.

It was 2004, in a three-game set in Texas. Even in this era of interleague play, that's the only time the Cardinals and Rangers have met when it meant something. According to STATS LLC, that matches the fewest games between a pair of opponents in the majors, tying Mets-White Sox.

Game 1 is Wednesday night in St. Louis, with aces Chris Carpenter of the Cardinals and C.J. Wilson set to start. The opening odds see Texas as a small favorite.

"The Rangers are scary. They're a scary team," said Freese, the NLCS MVP. "You look at that lineup, you look at that staff. It's going to be a battle."

"I think we're a team that can match up with them a little bit. And they're confident, we're confident. It's been a tough road. I've definitely been watching the ALCS for sure. That's some good ball over there," he said.

Consider this an old-school World Series: top names on both sides, many of them facing each other for the first time—the way it was before AL and NL clubs began playing each other all through the summer.

Think of Ted Williams vs. Stan Musial, maybe.

Musial, in fact, might even be at the ballpark next week. The 90-year Hall of Famer who helped the Cardinals win three World Series crowns was at Busch Stadium during the playoffs for pregame ceremonies.

Stan the Man and the Cardinals beat Williams and the Red Sox in the 1946 Series. More than a quarter-century later, Williams became the first manager in Texas history after the franchise moved from Washington.

It took a lot longer for Texas to finally reach the Series. Hamilton, Cruz, Michael Young and the Rangers made their first appearance last year, only to get shut down by San Francisco's pitching in a five-game wipeout.

"We weren't very happy with the results, and we certainly knew that we were a better team than we showed," manager Ron Washington said.

The Series shifts to Arlington for Game 3 next Saturday. The next day, there will be a doubleheader in Texas, of sorts—St. Louis Rams at Dallas Cowboys, then Cardinals at Rangers.

St. Louis has won 10 Series titles, second most to the New York Yankees' 27. Manager Tony La Russa, Pujols and the Cardinals last took it in 2006, helped by Series MVP David Eckstein.

This year, hardly anyone expected St. Louis to make it this far, especially when it was 10 1/2 games out of a playoff spot on Aug. 25. A sensational run in the last month, plus a tremendous collapse by Atlanta, gave the Cardinals the NL wild-card slot on the final day of the regular season.

The Cardinals did what many fans considered almost impossible in the first round—they eliminated the heavily favored Phillies. Carpenter outdueled Roy Halladay 1-0 in the decisive Game 5, then St. Louis relied on its bullpen every day to beat Milwaukee in the NL championship series.

Jason Motte, Fernando Salas, Octavio Dotel, Marc Rzepczynski and the Cards' crew shut down Prince Fielder and the Brewers, capped by a 12-6 win in Game 6 Sunday night.

A resurgent Lance Berkman, Matt Holliday and the emerging Freese got a boost in the lineup from trade-deadline addition Rafael Furcal, one of several moves by general manager John Mozeliak that worked out well.

The Cardinals also got help—some might believe—from a squirrel that scampered right in front of home plate during a playoff game in St. Louis.

The Rangers powered to the AL West title this year and hope to show the Claw, their hand signal for big hits, a lot starting this week.

Texas began the playoffs by beating Tampa Bay in four games and mashed Detroit in the six-game ALCS. Cruz was an MVP monster against the Tigers, hitting an LCS-record six home runs with 13 RBIs.

Closer Neftali Feliz, Alexi Ogando, Scott Feldman and two of GM Jon Daniels' additions—Mike Adams and Michael Gonzalez—keyed a bullpen that dominated the postseason.

Now it's on to Busch Stadium for the opener. The NL holds home-field advantage this year because it won the All-Star game, with Fielder's homer off Wilson the big hit. The weather forecast calls for clear skies, a welcome relief in a postseason dotted by rain.

And, oh, about those previous Cardinals-Rangers games. St. Louis won two of three in June 2004, with the Cardinals' lone loss coming when Young and Texas hammered Carpenter.

Carpenter will see a packed Texas lineup, including Young, in the opener.

"I haven't thought a lick about it," Carpenter said after Sunday night's clincher. "I'm excited for our ballclub, I'm excited for our organization. Unbelievable. This group of guys, I've been saying all year long, it's the most amazing group of guys I've been around."

Factors converged in crash that killed Dan Wheldon

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Part of a memorial is shown at the main gate at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway for race driver Dan Wheldon in Indianapolis, Monday, Oct. 17, 2011.

The perfect storm: A high-banked oval crowded with the largest field of the season. Inexperienced or impatient drivers racing at more than 220 mph. Absolutely no room for error.

What was supposed to be a season-ending showdown at Las Vegas Motor Speedway became instead a script for disaster Sunday: a fiery 15-car crash that killed popular two-time Indianapolis 500 winner Dan Wheldon and left the shaken auto racing community to deal with uncomfortable questions.

The drivers knew the Las Vegas race was going to present challenges even before the season began.

The sleek, open-wheel machines of IndyCar had not raced at the track since 2000, and the now-defunct Champ Car Series was last there in 2005. Some of the drivers had been there before, but many had not. None had raced an IndyCar there since the track's 2006 reconfiguration added "progressive banking" designed to increase side-by-side racing.

So there was some initial fretting when second-year IndyCar chairman Randy Bernard announced a $5 million payday to any moonlighting driver who could win the race.

Bernard had hoped to land a superstar or two from the fender-rubbing NASCAR circuit. Maybe even former Indianapolis 500 winner Juan Pablo Montoya.

But nobody bit, despite interest from NASCAR driver Kasey Kahne, X-Games star Travis Pastrana and former CART champion Alex Zanardi.

"Hopefully they'll pick someone competent enough to drive those things because it is an IndyCar," Penske driver Will Power said shortly after the prize was announced. "You can't rub panels. You rub wheels, and someone's going flying."

Kahne said Monday that team owner Rick Hendrick was against his participation, and Hendrick confirmed it. Kahne's lack of experience in an IndyCar made it virtually impossible for him to win.

"The upside is winning that big purse, but it's not realistic to think you can go out there and beat the drivers who run the series full time," Hendrick said. "They're incredibly talented, and it would be a significant investment of time and resources to be competitive. You'd have to test and practice, and it would inevitably take focus away from what you're trying to do (in NASCAR).

"Not having the experience in those type of cars—not having a feel for them—increases the odds of something happening (on the track). We have a lot of commitments, and I didn't think it made sense to create a distraction or take a chance."

That left only Wheldon, winner of 14 races on ovals in IndyCar, including the Indy 500 in May, to be eligible for the $5 million prize. Bernard made that ruling because the 33-year-old Englishman lost his job at the end of last season, put together a one-race deal for the Indy 500 and had turned down offers from less-competitive teams.

Wheldon put together a deal with Sam Schmidt Motorsports to race two weeks ago at Kentucky and for the prize on Sunday.

"He wanted to do it in the worst way," an emotional Bernard said Monday.

A lot of other drivers wanted to be in the race, too.

Interest in the final race, which Bernard had worked tirelessly to create, had risen enough that sponsors wanted to get involved. Because IndyCar is in the final year of racing its current car design, teams had expendable inventory.

It led to 34 entries in the field. That's one car more than the Indy 500, five more than the race two weeks ago at Kentucky, and eight more than IndyCar had in Japan last month.

Who were these new drivers? Men and women without much experience at IndyCar's top level.

It was the fourth start for Wade Cunningham, who was in the thick of the action where the accident started.

It was the third career start for Pippa Mann and the 20th for JR Hildebrand, who both spent Sunday night in a Las Vegas hospital recovering from injuries suffered in the accident.

At least six drivers didn't have enough starts to complete a full season, and some of the veterans had raced only a handful of times this season.

They all turn out for the Indy 500, too, and the speeds on that oval are faster than they were at Las Vegas. But Indianapolis is a relatively flat track, is a mile longer than Las Vegas, and drivers have three weeks of track time to prepare for the race.

The drivers had three hours, 15 minutes of practice time over three days to get ready for Las Vegas. They were not on the track at all Saturday.

Davey Hamilton alluded to a lack of experience contributing to Sunday's accident.

"You can't come in here and race with these guys and think you're going to beat them—the best in the world. To compete and win, you need to do it all the time.

"And you can't bring guys that have never raced, especially in IndyCars, to a deal like that," he added.

Not every driver practices the patience and give-and-take approach required to make it unscathed to the finish line. Veterans in every circuit complain about young, aggressive drivers making moves far too early in the race and not understanding the etiquette required on a dangerous track.

Dario Franchitti, who won his third consecutive IndyCar title by default Sunday, recognized early that the racing ahead of him was far too intense. He hooked up with Chip Ganassi Racing teammate Scott Dixon, falling to the back of the field and away from danger.

That's a common practice in NASCAR at Daytona and Talladega, where drivers have often laid back—away from the action for 450 miles—before mounting a frantic late charge through the field.

"I could see within five laps people were starting to do crazy stuff," Franchitti said. "I love hard racing, but that to me is not really what it's about."

Danica Patrick, who is headed full time to NASCAR next year, knew it was going to be one long game of chicken before the race even began.

"I was really nervous coming into (the race) and why is because I knew as a driver we were going to be put in positions to decide to be flat-out and possibly be part of something like that, or look like a wimp and lift," Patrick said. "But you know what? I lifted a little. There's just a lot going on out there and it was way, way, way too early."

The accident that led to Wheldon's fatal crash began far ahead of him, when one car veered into another. Suddenly, everybody was running into everybody.

Wheldon had to start at the back of the field as part of the eligibility rules. By the time he reached the scene, the wreckage was everywhere.

He ran into another car at an angle on the track's banking that sent his car airborne, rolling cockpit-first into the catch fence. Clark County Coroner Michael Murphy said Wheldon died of blunt head trauma.

Sitting at home, five-time defending NASCAR champion Jimmie Johnson watched the accident in horror. On Monday, he urged IndyCar to stop racing on ovals.

"I wouldn't run them on ovals. There's just no need to. Those cars are fantastic for street circuits, for road courses," Johnson said.

"I hate, hate, hate that this tragedy took place. But hopefully they can learn from it and make those cars safer on ovals somehow," he said.

"I have a lot of friends that race in that series, and I'd just rather see them on street circuits and road courses. No more ovals."

Bernard, who just two weeks ago stressed the importance of having ovals on his circuit's schedule to help develop American stars, must decide if there's any place at all for them in IndyCar. He declined Monday to speculate on the future of ovals, saying it's too soon for such decisions.

"Anytime you get into an IndyCar, you get into any race car, especially on an oval, this can happen," Montoya said. "But in NASCAR, we have fenders, we have roofs. It's not the same thing."

Ganassi, the championship team owner who once employed Wheldon, also knows the risks.

"Sure, it's always in the back of your mind, we all know the dangers and we all know what can happen," Ganassi said. "But when it slaps you in the face, it hurts. Everybody hurts."

Jerry West reveals lifelong depression

Jerry West says he has battled depression since childhood, when his father would beat the future Hall of Famer, causing low self-esteem that has plagued him despite a successful career as one of the NBA's biggest influences.

West says his West Virginia childhood was devoid of love and filled with anger as a result of his abusive father, who left him feeling tormented and worthless.

"I would go to bed feeling like I didn't even want to live," West says in a segment airing Tuesday on HBO's "Real Sports with Bryant Gumbel."

"I've been so low sometimes and when everyone else would be so high because I didn't like myself."

West's memoir, "West by West: My Charmed, Tormented Life," is in stores Wednesday. It's a book his wife, Karen, his five sons and his four siblings didn't want him to write.

In the HBO interview, West describes his father beating him with a belt, saying, "It was brutal."

He says he never knew what would set his father off. It wasn't until his father hit his sister that West found the courage to stand up to the man that had abused him. At 12, West kept a shotgun under his bed and threatened to use it on his father if the abuse didn't end.

When West's father died of a heart attack, he attended the funeral. He cries in the interview as he talks about wondering whether his father would be proud of him and his achievements.

West says his depression never bothered him as a player during 14 seasons with the Los Angeles Lakers because he was so driven by a fear of failure. However, once the season ended, he would dwell on the defeats, including the Lakers' six NBA finals losses to the Boston Celtics.

"He wouldn't speak for days at a time ... It worried me," Karen West says, adding that "Jerry doesn't say `I love you.'... Maybe once a year."

West tells HBO he tried therapy, but gave it up, preferring to take Prozac and work through his depression by himself. He says his condition has eased in the 10 years since he served as Lakers general manager. He now works as an adviser to the Golden State Warriors.

"I'm the luckiest person in the world," he says. ***(AP)***

Cell Pro gets lion's share of Blue Haus awards

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Cell Pro took home the most hardware in Sunday's Blue Haus Invitational Basketball League awards ceremony held after the championship bout at the Garapan Basketball Court.

High wire act Leo Itaas won both the C Division pennant and Finals MVP awards after leading Cell Pro to a 91-88 upset overtime victory over erstwhile undefeated Micronesian Brokers, Inc. in the one-game finals Sunday night.

In addition, Cell Pro's Abel Caraig was also recognized as best coach for leading his team to the championship.

MBI settled for runner-up honors during the awards ceremony and Mawati was presented with the sportsmanship award.

The two finalists and third place finisher Sherwin Williams were handed pennant championship trophies for winning their respective divisions.

In addition, MBI's Noel David won the A Division pennant MVP award and Sherwin Williams' Jun Tabora came away with the B Division MVP plum.

Other individual awardees included Rommel Usi of A Division's Pacific Postal, Rodney Sacramento of B Division's Joeten Superstore, and Jayir Concepcion of C Division, who were each selected overall most valuable players of their respective divisions during the regular season.

Other awardees included 3-point king Jomer Diyco of Fong's Bakery; 8th Division's Joseph Pena, who led the league in blocks; rebounding champion Fredie Litulumar of Jacem Printing; Wings Travel's Ed Yalung, who was credited with the most assists; and NVM's Jomar Tengco, who won the most steals award.

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Cell Pro's Leo Itaas, seen here in a file photo, went home with two most valuable player trophies in Sunday's Blue Haus Invitational Basketball League awards ceremony.

Krishnan seizes SGA's October honors

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Participants of Saipan Golfers Association's October Ace of the Month tournament held last Oct. 9 at the Marianas Country Club pose for a group photo.

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Das Krishnan fired a net score of 70 to win the Saipan Golfers Association's October Ace of the Month last Oct. 9 at the Marianas Country Club. Three strokes back was runner-up Martin Sablan, who bagged the longest drive on hole No. 11 and closest to the pin honors on hole No. 6. Sablan sunk his birdie putt as he went on to edge third place finisher Frances Sablan. Both carded net 73s.

Other notables include Juan L. Babauta's longest drive on hole No. 2, Ed Sablan's closest to the pin approach on hole No. 16, and Jung Teack's irons hit the mark notching closest to the pin honors on holes No. 8 and No. 12.

Along with Martin Sablan, Jess Castro, Larry DeLeon Guerrero, and Teack all came away with birdies, while Nick Sablan came away with a pair in their respective rounds.

With the victory in the October ace, Krishnan joins early Aces Tony I. DeLeon Guerrero (January), John Cruz (February), Nick C. Sablan (March), Edward Manibusan (April), Ray M. San Nicolas (May), Joe I. Sablan (June), Danny Quitugua (July), Steve Balakrishna (August), and Frances Sablan (September) for next month's Ace of Aces tournament.

Club members still have two chances to earn passage into the finale SGA Ace of Aces Tournament.

The first, headlined as SGA's November Ace tournament, is scheduled for this Sunday, Oct. 24, at the Kingfisher Golf Links in Talafofo.

Then SGA's December Ace of the Month event takes place on Nov. 13 at Coral Ocean Point, where SGA members will also be holding a Thanksgiving turkey shoot.

The two-day Ace of Aces Tournament is set from Nov. 26 to Nov. 27 at the Kingfisher Golf Links.

All three remaining events will have a 9am showtime with a 10:30am tee off schedule.

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the singles, doubles, and team events. Ruselle ended up with 3,552 pinfalls, while Raphael tallied 3,170.

In the Men's Masters Finals, Raymond was pitted against No. 2 finisher Min Su Park of Daegu, Korea and the Saipan bet lost, 0-2. Raymond scored only 171 pinfalls against Park's 192 in Game 1 and then made 147 in Game 2 against the South Korean's 227 for a 100-pinfall deficit, 318-418. Suk Byung Choi also of Daegu eventually won the Men's Masters title, beating the host's Tai Hui Chiang.

In the men's doubles, Raymond and Ruselle teamed up and finished in the middle of the pack with their combined 2, 272 pinfalls. Raymond contributed 1,197 on the team, while Ruselle added 1,075 to take the No. 21 spot. Raphael also joined the doubles event and partnered with San Juan, Philippines' Jasper Soon. The youngest Zapanta carded 996 pinfalls to go with the 1,065 of Soon. Guam's JD Castro and Guerrero topped the doubles category (2,724)

For the team event, the Zapanta brothers battled 16 other squads that mostly had four players on their roster, giving the Saipan bets the disadvantage. The Zapanta siblings went on to combine for 3,450 pinfalls to place at No. 16. The four-player team from Daegu won the event after earning 4,945 pinfalls.

Seventeen cities joined the annual tournament that featured 68 male keglers and 36 female bowlers.

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hurt her right knee, but said the pain is manageable and she is all set for the XTERRA World. The 32-year-old Carey is slated to leave Saipan for Hawaii today, while Sublemente had already left early yesterday morning.

The two Saipan triathletes will be racing in a new course in XTERRA World. From the south's Makena Beach & Golf Resort, the race will now take place in the north's Kapalua Resort with participants competing in the 1.5-km swim at the 3 to 5-foot waves of D.T. Fleming Beach, the 30-km bike trails and slopes of West Maui Mountains, and 10-km run to the dusty lava-strewn path up Haleakal and wild rainforests.

Meanwhile, Tagaman. Inc. president Wolf Mojica will also attend the XTERRA World to invite triathletes for the 2012 XTERRA Saipan Championship.

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100m backstroke races to give the SCS Tsunamis 18 points. Toda and Ramsey contributed 16 markers each for SCS as the former had first place finish in the 10 to 14 100m breaststroke and runner-up in the 50m freestyle and the latter took first place in the 400m freestyle and second in the 200m individual medley. Tanzawa handed the Tsunamis 14 markers off his first-place swim in the 12 to 14 100m freestyle and fourth place finish in the 10 to 14 50m freestyle.

Points were given to swimmers based on how they finished the different events. Nine points were awarded to the top finisher in the individual race, seven to second, six to third, five to fourth, four to fifth, three to six, two to seventh, and one to eighth.

SCS also earned points in relay races, which gave 18 points to the winners, 14 to the runners-up, and 12 to the third placers. Toda, Akimaru, Ramsey, and Tanzawa gained 18 markers for winning the 200m medley relay. Then in the mixed 200m freestyle relay, Dylan Ackerman, Arthur Sodheim, Isaac Jang, and Nael Lim finished second to win 14 points for SCS. Lim gave the Tsunamis seven more points for placing second behind Toda in the 10 to 13 100m breaststroke.

SCS won convincingly over Grace Christian Academy, which scored only 43 points. Last year's runner-up Whispering Palms dropped to third with its 39 markers, while 2008 champion Saipan International School came in fourth with its 35 points. Hopwood Junior High School was ranked fifth with 16 points.

Trophies will be awarded to the winning schools, while the organizing Saipan Swim Club will also recognize the Top 3 finishers in each races.

Meanwhile, SSC would like to thank the management and staff of the Kan Pacific pool, Northern Mariana Swim Federation, and all the participating schools.

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came out on top off a back-and-forth opening set, 27-25. The Geckos carried the momentum after the side change and rolled on to a 25-12 victory for the sweep. With the win already in hand, SIS went on to take the final set, 15-9.

Before the main event, the Awesome Fins defeated sister team KFC Fins (0-3) in all three sets. Awesome Fins held off KFC Fins, 25-20, in the first set and secured the victory in the second set, 25-16. Awesome Fins then smoked the KFC Fins, 15-2, in the final tiff.

Winless KFC Fins then endured yet another loss to the Manta Rays of Saipan Southern High School (1-0), which debuted in Monday's second pairing.

While KFC Fins did not go quietly, SSHS managed to take the first set, 25-23, before dropping the second game, 25-17. Then the deciding third set went into sudden death where the Manta Rays pulled out the win, 21-19.

Also on Monday, the Grace Christian Academy Eagles (2-0) bested the Kagman High School Ayuyus (0-2) in a close match.

GCA outlasted KHS in the first set, 25-21, but tripped in the second match, 12-25, as the Ayuyus forced a deciding third game. However, in the end the Eagles managed a convincing 15-9 victory.

In last Wednesday's season opening matches, GCA routed the KFC Dolphins in all three sets. GCA stunned KFC, 25-15, and then fired its opponent, 25-11, for the automatic victory. GCA went on to take the final set, 16-14 for good measure.

GCA then grinded out another win over KHS in its second pairing. GCA managed to take the first set, 25-21, but KHS clawed its way back in the second set, 25-12, to even the series. GCA then stepped up its game in the final set, 15-9.

SIS brushed off SSHS in three games, 25-14, 25-16, and 15-7 and maintained its momentum by knocking out MHS QT's (0-1).

SIS worked a 25-20 win in the first set and secured the victory in the second set, 25-15, but dropped the last set, 8-15.

Notably, the Awesome Fins notched one win thanks to a forfeit by KHS on Wednesday.

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	5	1	0	.833	185	135
Buffalo	4	2	0	.667	188	147
N.Y. Jets	3	3	0	.500	145	131
Miami	0	5	0	.000	75	128
South						
Tennessee	3	2	0	.600	105	94
Houston	3	3	0	.500	141	124
Jacksonville	1	5	0	.167	72	132
Indianapolis	0	6	0	.000	104	163
North						
Baltimore	4	1	0	.800	148	71
Cincinnati	4	2	0	.667	137	111
Pittsburgh	4	2	0	.667	119	102
Cleveland	2	3	0	.400	91	117
West						
San Diego	4	1	0	.800	120	109
Oakland	4	2	0	.667	160	150
Kansas City	2	3	0	.400	77	150
Denver	1	4	0	.200	105	140

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

N.Y. Giants	4	2	0	.667	154	147
Washington	3	2	0	.600	96	83
Dallas	2	3	0	.400	115	121
Philadelphia	2	4	0	.333	145	145
South						
Tampa Bay	4	2	0	.667	113	145
New Orleans	4	2	0	.667	177	151
Atlanta	3	3	0	.500	135	147
Carolina	1	5	0	.167	133	163
North						
Green Bay	6	0	0	1.000		197
114						
Detroit	5	1	0	.833	178	114
Chicago	3	3	0	.500	146	132
Minnesota	1	5	0	.167	121	145
West						
San Francisco	5	1	0	.833	167	97
Seattle	2	3	0	.400	94	122
Arizona	1	4	0	.200	96	121
St. Louis	0	5	0	.000	49	137

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Ruselle gives Saipan best finish in Singapore

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Ruselle Zapanta emerged as the top finisher for Saipan in the 25th Asian Intercity Bowling Championship held in Singapore from Oct. 12 to 17.

Ruselle, who competed in the six-day tournament at the Orchid Bowl, Orchid Country Club in Yishun, along with siblings Raymond and Raphael, placed fourth out of the 66 bowlers who joined the men's singles event, missing the medal podium by only five pinfalls.

The eldest Zapanta totaled 1,279 pinfalls in six games to finish fourth behind men's singles champion Jay Leon Guerrero (1,340 pinfalls) of Tamuning, Guam; Tay Hui Chiang (1,312) of host Jurong, Singapore; and Tam Tsz Sun (1,284) of Macau.

According to Saipan Bowling Association's Ross Zapanta, Ruselle's fourth place is the best finish by any Saipan bowler since they joined the Asian Intercity in Busan, Korea in 2001.

Ruselle knocked down more than 200 pins in five of the six games in the men's singles, showing his best form in the opener after tallying 236 pinfalls. He had 220 and 215 in Games 2 and 3, 183 in Game 4 and 203 and 222 in the last two games for an average of 213.17 pinfalls per game.

Raymond and Raphael also entered the men's singles event with the former ranked No. 17 and the latter at No. 31. Raymond collected 1,184 pinfalls for an average of 197.33, posting 245—his best score—in Game 6. Raymond logged 151, 180, 223, 188, and 197 in the first five games. Raphael scored more than 200 pinfalls in Games 3 (202) and 4 (225), had 176 and 182 in the first two games, and earned 157 and 182 in the last two for an average of 187.33 and six-game total of 1,124.

The Zapanta brothers were included in men's all events too, with Raymond advancing to the next round after finishing at No. 15 in the 66-bowler field. Raymond collected 3,583 pinfalls in 18 games, as he posted 1,184 in the singles, 1,197 in the doubles, and 1,201 in the team event, to make the 16-player cut for the Men's Masters Finals.

Ruselle and Raphael missed the Men's Masters Finals as they finished at No. 19 and No. 55, respectively, after combining their respective scores in

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Zapanta siblings, from left, Raphael, Ruselle, and Raymond pose for a group shot at the Orchid Bowl, Orchid Country Club in Yishun, Singapore during the 25th Asian Intercity Bowling Championship.

SCS keeps junior high title

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Second of a three-part series

Saipan Community School retained the junior high division championship in the 18th SSC All Schools Swimming Championships after earning 109 points in the weekend competition at the Kan Pacific Swimming Pool in Marpi.

SCS, which defeated Whispering Palms in last year's battle for the junior high top spot, made it back-to-back after getting a lift from CNMI age group record-holder Kento Akumaru , Ryu Tanzawa, Quintin Ramsey, and Ryosei Toda.

Ten-year-old Akimaru topped the 200m freestyle and

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Saipan Community School's Quintin Ramsey does the butterfly stroke in the 200m medley relay race in the 18th SSC All Schools Swimming Championships last Saturday at the Kan Pacific Swimming Pool in Marpi.

Mieko, Butch to race vs elites in XTERRA World

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The CNMI's Mieko Carey and Butch Sublemente will be up against the cream of the crop in this weekend's 2001 XTERRA World Championship in Hawaii.

The elite field includes no less than seven-time Tour de France champion Lance Armstrong, who officially announced his entry to the Oct. 23 (Oct. 24 on Saipan) event in a social network yesterday, saying he is bound to Kona and looking forward to racing. Armstrong switched to triathlon after retiring from cycling, placing first in the Four Peaks Urban Dirt Triathlon in Arizona and fourth in the XTERRA USA Championships in Utah this year.

Carey, Sublemente, and Armstrong will be among the 675 triathletes who will compete in XTERRA World with the former entered in the pro division and the two others in the age group categories.

Seventy-five pros are doing the race, including four-time men's champion Conrad Stoltz of South Africa and 2010 women's champion and 2011 XTERRA Saipan Championship winner Shonny Vanlandingham, who ended Julie Diben's three-year reign last season.

Carey also raced last season and finished at No. 13 among the more than 20 women's pros, moving five notches higher from her 18th place in 2009. Sublemente will be debuting in XTERRA World, as he competes in the men's 35 to 39 age group.

Sublemente had his last pre-XTERRA World preparation last Sunday when he joined a 50-kilometer race from the Pacific Islands Club in San Antonio to the northern portion of the island and back to PIC. He finished second behind Lewie Tenorio.

Carey was also scheduled to join the 50K race, but withdrew the last minute due to a minor injury. The Saipan triathlete

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CONTRIBUTED PHOTO
Butch Sublemente, left, and Mieko Carey, seen here posing for a photo during a fundraising race at Banzai Cliff last month, are representing Saipan in this weekend's 2011 XTERRA World Championship in Hawaii.

SIS off to promising start in boys volleyball

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Much like its two-time defending champion counterpart in the girls team, Saipan International School's boys volleyball team is showing some talent on the court by starting off its Marianas Interscholastic Sports Organization volleyball season with a three-game winning streak.

The top-ranked Geckos notched a pair of wins in last Wednesday's season opener and were victorious once again over Marianas High School's Awesome Fins (2-1) in Monday's match held at the MHS Gym.

Both teams came into Monday's duel undefeated and SIS

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A Saipan International School player jumps up for a spike in Monday's MISO boys volleyball match against the MHS Awesome Fins at the Marianas High School Gymnasium.